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(According to last week's Era, the editor was ill. Nevertheless editorial speculations and opinions appeared as usual. This did not mean that editorials were written in bed as a cure for the "flu," but that they had been written before the flu struck. Editorials are usually written before the week begins. This week's editorials should have been written last weekend, but due to reasons already stated they were not. Instead we give you a couple of columns clipped, culled and pasted from other publications. Next week we will get offensive again in our own right.)

## WE GIVE YOU A TOAST

It is a good old banquet custom that has stood the test of time . . . to drink a toast to the ladies.

It is an excellent custom. It allows the proposer an opportunity either of good-natured wisecracks under the immunity of a happy occasion, some rather sentimental passages, a true flow of oratory and wit, or perhaps a general apology with some special though hidden reference.

Whatever the occasion may be, or however the toast may be proposed, it is a thoroughly fitting observance, and the ladies, bless them, are graciously brief in replying to this public acknowledgement by mere man.

There is another toast that should be given, at least at banquets where older people are predominant, and that is "To Young People."

For, to most of us, our young people mean a great deal. Obviously they do if we are parents, whether of small children or growing young men and women. And, even if we have no children, we should think much of the younger generation, if only for the selfish reason that ultimately and inevitably, we shall, in one way or another, perhaps directly and financially, or else socially and legislatively, depend upon them for happiness in our declining years.

Today's older generation, probably more than others, is devoting itself to youth, and trying, unfortunately not always with the best success, to equip youth for happy and useful living. We no longer demand blind obedience of the sort that is subservience, and we are learning that to command the respect of even young people we must earn it.

And so, at least once in a while, let us have, Mr. Toastmaster, a toast "To Youth."

And in drinking it recall our own youth, and hope that we understand better than did some of our forefathers.—The Northern News, Kirkland Lake

## IS YOUR FAITH SHAKEN?

Nellie McClung, who is soon to address a mass meeting of folks in Stouffville, has been saying a few things lately which appeal to us very strongly. In fact, she hits the nail on the head when she states that women are perplexed today, and so are the men perplexed.

Recently Mrs. McClung was addressing a provincial gathering of women of a great church—a church which sends out missionaries, maintains hospitals, kindergartens, and spends much on charity at home.

She told these women gathered that the average church woman or worker was bewildered today. She sees the things she believed in scattered and broken. She reads of countries that have definitely broken with religion, and yet are doing very well. Fire did not come down from heaven to consume the blasphemers. Crops still grow, rains fall, and fields ripen under smiling harvest skies, and the processes of nature go on, observed Mrs. McClung.

There is another source of perplexity. Here in Canada, we have had comforting traditions. One of these has been pride in the British Empire, on which the sun never sets. "Britons," we sang, "never, never shall be slaves," and slaves, as you can see, rhymes with "waves." The British navy goes back to Drake's time. Did it not whip the Spanish Armada, with the help of a storm? All this was comforting and uplifting. The tight little island can never fail. "Britain," said the honorable leader of the senate a few years ago, "is the creditor who always waits, and the debtor who always pays."

The last few years have brought bitter changes, and we are troubled. All this, says Mrs. McClung, I saw in the faces of these women; who still hold bazaar and teas, to raise their missionary money, and give thank offerings at Easter and devote their leisure time to a study of missions.

The spirit of doubt is gnawing at the foundations of their faith. They get a little bit irritated with God. Why does He not assert Himself more? Why does He not send a sign? Theoretically they believe in going the second mile, in turning the other cheek. They can tell you instances of this, where it worked. When Rev. Arthur Barne was the head of an Indian school in the west, and had trouble with some of the boys, he told them that he would not punish them, but they must punish him. His had been the fault, some way, and handing a whip to the leader, he told him to use it. The Indian boy's heart melted and peace came.—The Stouffville Tribune.

## NEW PONTIFF IS CHOSEN

Two precedents were broken in the election of Cardinal Eugenio Pacelli as the new head of the Roman Catholic church. He is the first papal secretary of state ever to succeed to the throne of St. Peter, and no other pope in recent times has been elected on the first day of a conclave. He must be a man of remarkable personality or his fellow Cardinals would not so lightly have thrown aside customs of long standing.

The new Pontiff also established a new precedent. He was elected on his birthday, a coincidence which may never happen again. Pope

Pius is just 63 years of age so that in all probability he will be the head of the church for the next two decades. His election has been hailed with satisfaction all over the world except in Germany where he is not popular. As secretary of state under the late Pope, Cardinal Pacelli was spokesman for the Vatican in the many conflicts with the Nazi regime. The German envoy to the papal see made a typical Teutonic blunder, when, in addressing the cardinals, he stated that Cardinal Pacelli would not be acceptable as a successor to Pius XI. This undoubtedly had its bearing upon the quick choice of the new pontiff, for the princes of the church were in no mood to receive dictation from Hitler after all that has happened in Germany.

Pope Pius XII had long training in affairs diplomatic. He was appointed under-secretary of state in 1912, was named Papal Nuncio at Munich in 1917 and Nuncio to the new German republic in 1920, where he served for nine years and negotiated the concordat between Prussia and Rome. He was appointed secretary of state in 1930 and negotiated a concordat with Germany in 1933. His election means that the church will stoutly and steadfastly resist further Nazi encroachments upon the human and religious rights of Catholics and the attempts which are being made to paganize Germany's youth.

A superb linguist, master of seven languages, the new pope has also been a great traveller. He visited America in 1936, and travelled all round the United States by aeroplane. A scholar of the first rank, a champion of peace, a lover of the poor, and a very devout and humble follower of the Christ, Pope Pius XII should rank among the greatest of the occupants of the papal throne. All the world will wish him well as he commences his great task as spiritual ruler over millions of men, and promoter of peace and goodwill among the nations.—The Midland Free Press.

## ARTIFICIAL ICE WILL PAY

Owen Sound's experience in the first year of operation of its excellent artificial ice arena, as indicated in an article on page one of this issue, provides the answer to Barrie's problem.

Given reasonable support by the people of Barrie and district, artificial ice should be made to pay. Owen Sound's net profit this year will exceed \$15,000 on an original investment of less than \$75,000. What Owen Sound has done, Barrie should be able to accomplish.

Owen Sound went about the proposition in a business-like way, and the result has been that the arena has far more than fulfilled the fondest expectations of its sponsors. Besides proving a profitable enterprise, it has provided the people of that city and district with an unexcelled community building and interest. It has justified the hopes of even the most optimistic.

The Owen Sound arena has drawn from a wide area during the past season, bringing thousands of people to town from many miles distant. They have left considerable money in town and have done quite a lot to keep the business men prosperous during the winter months. As a business-getter and advertiser, it has proved itself very valuable.

Leaving aside the successful operation of the arena itself, the whole scheme has proved beneficial to the entire community.

The Owen Sound hockey teams have been generously supported this season, not alone by the people of the city itself, but also by thousands within a radius of 75 miles. Tickets for the various games were put on sale in the smaller towns and villages, and every encouragement was given the rural people to take a personal interest in the arena and the hockey teams.

With hundreds of Barrie dollars on the verge of going to Midland to swell the profits of the arena and the merchants of that town, the time would seem propitious for a careful survey of the entire situation as it affects Barrie. For years, the same thing has been going on, and it seems high time that something should be done about it. A little leadership is needed; let's have it.—Barrie Examiner.

## FARM AND HOME IMPROVEMENT

A live movement for the improvement of farm home surroundings seems to be sweeping Ontario. Last year the department of agriculture, through its local representative, made a drive for home beautification in one county. This year they have extended the work to four counties. The minister of agriculture, speaking at the annual convention of the agricultural societies, expressed the hope that the societies would cooperate in the project. The Durham Central Agricultural Society is to be commended for sponsoring a local competition, although so far very little publicity has been given to the movement.

The contest program is practical and the improvements to be undertaken are within the cost and labor range of any farmer.

Points are awarded for: Removal of rubbish and clearing of unsightly spots in fence corners, yards, etc.; repairing and painting and general improvement to buildings; cleaning and whitewashing interiors of stables and other out-buildings; repairs to, or new gates and fences; cutting of lawns, planting of trees, flowers and shrubs; installation of modern conveniences; cutting of weeds and brush; general improvement in appearance.

And this is truly an improvement contest. The judge scores each place when the competition opens, as soon as possible after April 15, and the same judge scores it again at the close of the contest, Aug. 31. Each contestant's standing in the competition depends on the improvement he has made on what he had to start with. Durham farmers should communicate with J. C. Gagne, Secretary, D.C.A.S., Orono. — The Canadian Statesman, Bowmanville.

Canadian purchasers of radio sets are finding some interesting facts leaking out from the radio inquiry at Ottawa. It has been disclosed that Canadians pay from 50 to 90 per cent in excess of United States prices for identical radio sets. The reason given is that patents are controlled by a Canadian patent group, and that prices are virtually controlled by this group, who also control the Canadian radio industry. It appears that Canadians are made the "goats" when they purchase staple household and personal commodities, which are duplicated on the American market. The radio and the motor car are two outstanding examples. Why? Oh why? cries the impatient, though apparently helpless, Canadian consumer.—Huntsville Forester.

## The Common Round

By Isabel Inglis Colville

POETRY

We have all heard people say, "I have absolutely no use for poetry," and then, perhaps, before the conversation was over, illustrate some phase of what they wanted to express by the use of some choice and well-known saying culled from one of our poems.

Then some people move in an atmosphere of poetry—they have an appropriate line of poetry to cap any remark of their own or their co-conversationalists.

I think, really, that years ago, we were more addicted to reading poetry—we had more time, for one thing—we could dream sometimes—not many people have time to dream now—although without dreamers the world would never have seen many of its most wonderful assets.

Perhaps it's because the dreamer of today dreams of more and more terrible war machines and so creates Frankenstein that may some day destroy himself and civilization, that the peoples of the world, as a whole, seem to have grown calloused to suffering, save insofar as it touches themselves.

But I was, at the beginning of this article, thinking of what the poets and dreamers of yesterday wrote and dreamed. So many of them wrote on the same subjects, and it's interesting to compare their way of expressing their opinions of the same theme. The evening star seemed to be a favorite theme among poets, as well as with Tennyson:

"Sunset and evening star  
And one clear call for me  
And may there be no moaning  
Of the bar  
When I put out to sea.

But such a tide, as moving,  
Seems asleep;  
Too full for sound and foam,  
When that which drew from out  
The boundless deep,  
Turns again home."

While Longfellow writes:

"Just above yon sandy bar,  
As the day grows fainter and  
dimmer,  
Lonely and lovely a single star  
Lights the air, with a dusky  
glimmer.

Thus over the ocean faint and  
far  
Trailed the gleam of his falchion  
brilliantly  
Is it a God, or is it a star  
That, entranced, I gaze on night-  
ly!"

So many poets had a love of  
liberty so firmly ingrained in  
their character, that it had to  
find expression in their poetry.

Lowell wrote thus of slavery:

"I think that nothing will ever  
give permanent peace and securi-  
ty to this continent, but the  
extirpation of slavery there-  
from!" Longfellow wrote poem  
and poem, which were scathing  
indictments of slavery. Here is  
the conclusion of one:

"On him alone the doom of pain  
From the morning of his birth;  
On him alone the curse of Cain  
Fell, like a flail on the garnered  
grain.  
And struck him to the earth."

These poets and others along  
with Harriet Beecher Stowe, in  
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," helped to

open people's eyes, or perhaps I  
should say reach their sym-  
pathies, as nothing else could.

Thomas Hood, in that hack-  
neyed poem, "The song of the  
shirt," made people conscious of  
the heartbreak and desolation of  
those who toiled with the needle.  
Poets seem to love to write  
about the moon and about bells.  
Centuries ago Omar Khayyam  
wrote:

"Ah moon of my delight  
That knows no wane;  
The moon of heaven  
Is shining once again.  
How oft hereafter, rising  
Shall she look  
Through the same garden  
After me in vain."

And Robert Louis Stevenson:

"The moon has a face like the  
clock in the hall,  
It shines on thieves on the gar-  
den wall,  
On streets and fields and harbor  
quays,  
And birds asleep in the forks of  
trees."

And Thomas Moore writes thus  
of "The Young May Moon":

"The young may moon is beam-  
ing, love,  
The glow worm's lamp is gleam-  
ing, love,  
How sweet to rove,  
Through Morna's grove,  
When the drowsy world is  
dreaming, love."

And "Bells!" There are in-  
numerable poems on that sub-  
ject from Tennyson's

"Ring out, wild bells, to the wild  
sky,  
The flying cloud, the frosty light,  
The year is dying in the night,  
Ring out, wild bells, and let him  
die!"

While in the famous "Bells of St.  
Michael's Tower," we have

"Merrily, merrily rung the bells  
The bells of St. Michael's  
Tower."

when Richard Penlake and Re-  
becca, his wife, arrived at the  
church door and then there was  
the famous bell of Atri which was  
to be rung by anyone having a  
wrong to right, as the monarch  
proclaimed "that whatever  
wrong was done to any man, he  
should but ring the great bell in  
the square, and he, the king,  
would cause the syndic to decide  
thereon."

And so it goes. It's a fascinat-  
ing thing to compare the dif-  
ferent way poets wrote of the  
same thing.

Why, for instance, did so many  
poets write poems of "Delia" and  
"Sylvia?" And the stars—well,  
there were so many poems on  
the stars I couldn't begin to  
quote.

But, poets, in their gentle way,  
besides giving us the delight to  
be found in rhyme and meter,  
helped the world.

They spoke for the slaves, for  
the downtrodden, for the suffer-  
ing of animals and helped, too,  
to create a love of beauty within  
us. I fancy there is not one of  
us who cannot recall some love-  
ly line, when occasion arises, and  
I, for one, am going back to my  
study of the poets.

## 25 YEARS AGO

From Era file, March 13, 1914

Mr. Jeffrey Robertson of Tor-  
onto was home over Sunday.

Mr. Judd Stephens is spending  
a few weeks in Illinois.

Mr. B. W. Hunter was in Mon-  
real this week on a business  
trip.

Mrs. Spur of Aurora was the  
guest of Mrs. McManus on  
Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Fred Doyle left this  
week for Denholm, Sask., to visit  
her sister, Mrs. J. F. Bolan.

Mr. J. W. Pettinger of Tecum-  
seh township, was the guest of  
Mr. J. C. Galbraith a few days  
ago.

Mr. C. K. Morrison will rep-  
resent Newmarket A. O. U. W.  
at the Grand Lodge in Toronto  
next week.

Mrs. T. C. Watson arrived  
home last Friday after an en-  
forced absence of ten weeks at  
Sarnia, owing to illness.

Mrs. L. Atkinson entertained a  
number of ladies on Tuesday  
afternoon in honor of Mrs. Neal  
and Mrs. Simpson.

Messrs. W. R. Galbraith and  
H. Dunnet, also Miss Mae  
White, all of Toronto, visited at  
Mr. Galbraith's last Sunday.

Mr. Edgar Bogart's mother  
has been very ill the past four

or five weeks, but friends are  
pleased to know she is improv-  
ing.

Miss N. Forbes has been re-  
engaged for the millinery depart-  
ment of Mrs. C. M. Hughes, and  
will be superintendent again this  
season.

Mr. Ralph Weddell of Rich-  
mond Hill was in town on Sat-  
urday.

Mr. Burton G. Marsh, eldest  
son of Mr. Uriah Marsh, left for  
his home at Netherwell, Sask.,  
on Tuesday of this week with a  
car of horses.

Miss E. Willson is represent-  
ing the local circle at the Sup-  
reme Home Circle meeting in  
Hamilton this week.

Rev. H. F. Thomas is so far re-  
covered from his recent illness  
that he expects to occupy his  
pulpit in the Presbyterian  
church on Sunday.

Mrs. Andrew Davis entertain-  
ed last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. W. E. Wiley entertained  
a number of ladies Monday  
afternoon.

BORN—In Newmarket, March  
8, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Harden,  
a daughter.

BORN—In Newmarket, March  
7, to Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Dillman,  
a son.

BORN—In Newmarket, March  
12, to Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Mc-  
Main, a daughter.

BORN—In Newmarket, March

The Ontario agricultural council asked at its recent meeting in Toronto that residents of rural municipalities be exempted from the provisions of the Industrial Standards act. The request is a reasonable one and represents the only position the council could take in the interests of the body of people it speaks for. Labor leaders are not always far-sighted in their demands for high rates of wages. All sorts of construction and repair work are needed in this country, but wages for skilled labor are so high that property owners cannot afford to have work done. One has only to take a drive through any country district to realize the truth of this statement. The same

condition obtains in the towns and villages, although it is perhaps not so noticeable. There are very few homes on which considerable money could not be spent to good advantage. Many lack bathrooms, others need painting and other decorating and in nine-tenths of town, village and country homes heating expenses could be cut materially by insulating. This offers a great field for the skilled worker, but it cannot be tapped if the property owners have to pay 80 cents an hour for labor. They simply cannot afford to pay such high wages and therefore the badly needed improvements are not made. Labor would be better served by lower wages and more employment.—Orangeville Banner.

10, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Forhan,  
a daughter.

DIED—At the residence of her  
son, Wm. Dick, Joseph Ave.,  
Newmarket, Isabel McKay, wi-  
dow of the late Daniel Dick, in  
her 71st year.

## 50 YEARS AGO

From Era file, March 15, 1889

Mr. Chancey Cole was visiting  
at Colwell, Simcoe county, this  
week.

Miss Stokes of Toronto has  
been visiting in town the past  
couple of weeks.

Mrs. L. W. Hill is visiting her  
mother at Newton Robinson this  
week.

Mr. F. Kelly left on Tuesday  
for Manitoba where he will visit  
friends.

Mr. Hy. Trent of Cashtown  
was in town last Saturday and  
gave The Era a call.

Mr. Robertson of Oakville  
spent Sunday in town with his  
cousin, Mr. Geo. Robertson.

Miss VanCamp of Bowman-  
ville is visiting Miss Vernon,  
Strigley St., for a few weeks.

The Misses Morgan of Toronto  
are spending a couple of weeks  
in town, the guests of Mrs. Ram-  
say.

Mrs. Lewis, Niagara St., is  
visiting at White Rose this  
week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Robertson  
are moving to St. Thomas.

Miss Laura Prior of Toronto is  
spending a week in town with  
her sister, Mrs. A. Robertson.

Messrs. Joe Armitage of Chi-  
cago and Clayton Armitage of  
Toronto were visiting in town  
and vicinity over Sunday.

Mr. G. R. Mortimore, brother  
of Mrs. W. H. Bowden, returned  
from Winnipeg last week, and  
spent Sunday visiting in town.

Mr. Woodgate, clerk of the ris-  
ing town of Stouffville, was in  
Newmarket on Tuesday and re-  
ports very encouraging prospects  
for the coming summer.

Miss Strong of London and  
Miss Baker of Stratford left for  
home on Wednesday after spend-  
ing two very pleasant weeks in  
town, the guests of Mrs. T. H.  
Burton.

Mrs. Brigham of Barrie re-  
turned home on Wednesday, hav-  
ing spent the past week with  
Miss Sara Smith.

Mrs. Torrance, one of the old-  
est residents of the town, slipped  
on the ice at the Forsyth hotel  
pump a few days ago and was  
very badly shaken up. Friends  
are glad to know she is improv-  
ing, and will soon be around  
again.

BORN—In town, March 13, to  
Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McGee, a son.

MARRIED—At the Methodist  
parsonage, Queensville, March  
12, by Rev. W. F. Ferrier, Albert  
Watson to Miss Eliza Hopkins,  
both of East Gwillimbury.

"Inadequate," was the term  
applied to Canada's \$60,000,000  
defence program by members of  
the department of national de-  
fence, Prime Minister Mackenzie  
King stated this week.

The Czechoslovak republic,  
created at Versailles 20 years ago  
to be the barrier to any future  
German drive to the east, has  
been wiped off the map. The  
Slovakians declared their inde-  
pendence of the Czechs this  
week, and this was followed by  
Hitler moving troops into  
Bohemia and Moravia, other  
Czech provinces.

If the present radio license fee  
were \$2 instead of \$2.50, the  
result would be the curtailment  
of national "services" over the  
CBC network, according to L. W.  
Brookington, CBC chairman.  
Well . . .

Forceful appeal for support of  
the government's policy of com-  
pulsory pasteurization and law  
was directed by Premier Hep-  
burn to all members of the legis-  
lature this week. "Let us main-  
tain this policy; back it to the  
limit, and in two or three years  
we'll have far fewer deaths than  
we unfortunately are having at  
the present time."

Many of the smaller centres  
faced isolation this week as the  
result of weekend storms of  
snow and sleet in various sec-  
tions of the province.

Some eight members of the  
Queen's Park civil service are  
reported to have been summarily  
dismissed over the past two  
weeks as the direct result of a  
surprise checkup of their ac-  
countable warrants by the audit  
branch. Shortages are believed  
to be fully covered by super-  
annuation payments made by  
those dismissed.



## HANDSOME IS AN UNPOPULAR TEACHER

BY RUTH DINGMAN HEBB

"Well, this is Robin and Blue-  
bird week, but just look at the  
snow," said Merry Chickadee to  
Mrs. Nutty Nuthatch. "It's piled  
as deep as it has been all win-  
ter."

"I'll bet some of the spring  
birds come back this week just  
the same," said the Nuthatch.

"What makes you think so,  
with this much winter still with  
us?" asked Merry.

"Simply because they always  
do come back at this time," an-  
swered the Nuthatch. "I know  
someone who has made a record  
of when they come back each  
year, and it shows that for the  
last ten years the Robins, for  
example, have come back at just  
about the same time. From the  
beginning of March we may ex-  
pect an odd one, but after about  
March 11, from then for the next  
week, they really begin to re-  
turn, and I see no reason why  
this year should be an exception.  
I'm willing to bet that there'll  
be a Robin seen in Newmarket  
before the end of this week."

"And I'll bet there won't be,"  
said Merry, equally stubborn.

"The next good tree of food I  
find, I'll turn over to you if you  
win, if you'll do the same for me  
if you lose."

"It suits me," said Mrs. Nutty,  
"but I feel sorry for you."

"Tut, tut," Merry retorted.  
"I'm not worried a bit. Here  
comes Handsome, the Blue Jay.  
Well, my goodness, Handsome,  
you don't need to aim right at  
me when you decide to alight in  
the same tree I'm in." Merry  
complained. "You made me get  
right off my nice perch, because  
I thought you were going to  
bump into me. You're very rude  
at times."

"I'm always rude," Handsome  
told her. "But I don't care.  
Hasn't it been a grand day?"

"Yes, it has," agreed Mrs.  
Nutty. "Have you seen any  
Robins around?"

"Not yet," answered the Jay,  
"but I heard a Killdeer Plover  
shouting 'Kill-deer, kill-deer,  
kill-deer.' His return is a sign  
of spring."

"There are some Crows holler-  
ing over to the east," said Mrs.  
Nuthatch. "They're like the  
Blue Jays, they never keep  
quiet."

"My dear lady," expostulated  
Handsome. "I don't believe you  
like me very well."

"No, I don't like you in the  
spring-time, when you indulge  
in all your nasty habits," said  
the Nuthatch. "You're not so  
bad at other times of year."

"Who's that singing?" inter-  
rupted Merry suddenly. "Who-  
ever it is has a good voice. That  
is certainly a lovely, clear war-  
ble. It sounds almost like a  
Warbling Vireo."

"Surely it isn't any voice that  
we have heard during the win-  
ter," said the Nuthatch. "It  
must be a spring bird."

"You ladies make me laugh,"  
said Handsome in a superior  
manner. "You should know who  
that is."

"Well, we don't—so who is it,  
Mr. Know-it-all?" asked Merry  
crustily. "I don't like having to  
ask you, but if you know who it  
is, and I don't, why there's no  
use my remaining in ignorance."



# POLICE COURT HILL BOY FIRED FOR KILLING PHEASANT

Convicted on a charge of killing a ring-necked pheasant out of season, Lorne McBride, Richmond Hill, was fined \$20 and costs of \$11.55, or ten days, by Magistrate W. F. Woodliffe in police court here on Tuesday. McBride pleaded not guilty to the charge. Jos. Vale acted for the crown in the absence of N. L. Mathews, K.C.

"I saw McBride just back of our yard in Richmond Hill on Feb. 24," testified Mrs. Carrie Sheridan. "My neighbor, Mrs. Bowen, and I saw McBride from my north window and he fired one shot with his rifle. Then we went out to the shed door and as I stepped off the step and looked north McBride shot again. McBride was about 250 feet from our door when he shot the second time, then he circled around some bushes, went around the water-works and disappeared. Then I went on into the house but Mrs. Bowen went out to the bushes where McBride had been shooting and picked up a dead pheasant and brought it into the house."

"I was with Mrs. Sheridan on the afternoon of Feb. 24 and

after hearing the first shot I saw the accused with a rifle and I heard him shoot a second time," testified Mrs. Bowen, Richmond Hill. "I went down where McBride was shooting and picked up a pheasant from the bushes. The dead bird was still warm. I carried the bird up and took it into Mrs. Sheridan's house."

"On Saturday, Feb. 25, a cock pheasant was brought into my office by Constable Sydney Barracough," testified Deputy Game Warden N. E. H. Sitwell. "I took the pheasant to the refrigerator and placed a seizure tag on it. I went up to see Mrs. Bowen and Mrs. Sheridan and then I talked to McBride in the presence of his father. McBride said he was out with his gun that afternoon and that his father had been teaching him to shoot."

"I was shooting behind Mrs. Sheridan's on the afternoon of Feb. 24, but there was other shooting going on, so I ducked down to avoid being hit," testified Lorne McBride. "I was going back to see my father at the water-works. I go through there every day with the dog. I didn't shoot into the bushes or kill the pheasant. I was about 250 yards from Mrs. Sheridan's house, where I was walking."

"I will accept the evidence of the two women, as they recog-

nized you as the person who fired the shot," stated the magistrate in registering a conviction. Bail of \$500 was renewed for Robt. Blencoe, Newmarket, who is charged with having illegal possession of a revolver. The charge was adjourned one week. A charge of killing a pheasant laid against Thomas Wood, Elgin Mills, was dismissed by the magistrate.

"I was going along the Elgin Mills side-road on the afternoon of Jan. 26 about 20 minutes to three," testified Charles White. "I heard a rifle go off and it sounded like a .22. Then I saw three pheasants fly up near Wood's house. Then Wood came out of the house and walked to the orchard. I rode past the house on my horse and Wood tried to hide the pheasant with his shovel. I don't know whether he covered the pheasant up with the shovel or not, as I went to phone the police. The pheasants were in an apple tree about 35 yards from the house, eating old apples. Wood picked up the pheasant and started to walk east."

"Were you not at the corner 600 feet away on horseback," Mr. Wood asked.

"No," answered White. "I was not that far away."

"Yet you say you saw me fire the gun?"

"No, after you fired the shot I rode past and saw you pick up the pheasant."

"I think this is all dirt, as I had White up before Magistrate Keith for trespassing a while ago," Wood told the magistrate. "When did you appear before Magistrate Keith?" asked the magistrate.

"The middle of January," answered Charles White.

"Was it before this pheasant incident took place?" "Yes,"

"I heard a shot when I was south of Wood's house and then I walked up along the house and I saw pheasant feathers," stated Carl Burns. "The house blocked my vision of the apple tree where the pheasants were."

Wood stated that Burns was not telling the truth.

"I received a complaint about Wood and Constable Barracough, Game Warden Buie, and myself, went over to see Wood," stated Game Warden Ernest Prosser. "It was Feb. 27 when we went to Wood, which was nearly a month after the offence, but we weren't told about it till

then. Wood told us he shot at a brown weasel and that then he went over and picked up a mouse nest at the foot of an apple tree. We looked for the nest but we were unable to find it. The accused admitted shooting at a brown weasel but not at a pheasant."

"Wood told us he shot a brown weasel in a mouse's nest but there are no brown weasels in Canada in the winter, as they are all white," stated Game Warden Buie.

"Didn't I tell you I fired four shots at the weasel?" asked Wood.

"No, you told me you fired one shot," answered Mr. Buie. Wood exhibited to the magistrate some straw and feathers and two dead black mice. Mr. Wood stated that he had just dug up the straw etc. from underneath the apple tree and that there were no pheasants within 300 feet of the house.

"White and Burns lied when I had them up in court before and they got out of it," Mr. Wood told the court. "I told the officers about the nest when they came but they couldn't find it because of a sleet storm."

"I am not satisfied with the evidence of the prosecution and there is not sufficient evidence before me to indicate that a pheasant was shot," stated the magistrate.

## FINED IN BRADFORD

After a short chase which ended at the south end of the village of Bradford, Provincial Constable Cecil Dean overtook a speeding car driven by L. Towers of 24 Clement St., Sudbury, on Saturday night about midnight. Dean noticed the car proceeding south on Barrie St. and gave chase as it left the main intersection at Holland St., overtaking it two minutes later. Towers pleaded guilty to the charge of speeding and paid the fine of \$10 and costs to Village Constable Reeves.

## KESWICK

### CHILDREN'S WORKERS WILL HOLD MEETING

Rev. Mr. Fockler, in his splendid sermon at the United church on Sunday morning, continued his series on the great fundamental truths of the church and took for his subject "Jesus and the Holy Spirit."

"One cause of present day troubles can be laid to the fact that we have ceased to study the Bible, as the generations before us have done," he said. Speaking from John 6:68, Mr. Fockler said that the world just at that time needed Christ to come as a man. "When the Holy Spirit comes to us, our whole attitude is changed," he said.

During the morning service, the choir sang a selection, special parts being taken by Mrs. W. E. Morton, Mrs. G. E. Morton and Mrs. Connell Marritt. Owing to the weekly Sunday evening snowstorm, the evening service was not so well attended, but those that did venture out into the disagreeable weather, enjoyed the service under Mr. Fockler's leadership.

Prayer service is held each Thursday evening at 8 o'clock followed by choir rehearsal. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at the United church on Sunday morning, April 2. The congregation is asked to note the change in date.

There is to be a children's work conference, under the Religious Education Council of North and East Gwillimbury and Sutton, on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 in Keswick United church, when all Sunday-school teachers of younger classes and all others who are interested, are invited to attend. The meeting will close with a social hour.

The next meeting of the C.G. I.T. will be on Saturday, March 25.

The ladies of the United church are asked to please keep these dates in mind, March 28, the fancy work shower, April 14, the play, "Earth's New Morn," and the next W.A. supper on March 30.

The United church Y.P.U. meeting was held this week, in the charge of the missionary department, with Charles Ryder as leader. The president, Miss Joan Baines, presided during a short business period. Those assisting in various ways were Rev. C. E. Fockler, Misses Lillian Connell and Doris McGinty, Allan Retter and James Pedlar. Miss Glover was pianist. Mrs. Vail addressed the young people, talking for her subject, "What is the general attitude towards missions? And why are people not more generally attracted to them?"

The W.M.S. rally held in Keswick United church on Friday, March 10, was very well attended. Mrs. Wm. Vail, president of the local society, had charge of the meeting and conducted the worship service, using the theme for the W.M.S. this year, "Making Canada Christian."

Mrs. Vail introduced Mrs. W. J. Thompson of Newmarket, the vice-president of Toronto Centre presbyterial, who brought greetings from the presbyterial and a message on "Prayer Life."

Mrs. Vaughan very graciously introduced Miss Evelyn Mitchell, the guest speaker, whose message was one of vital interest, an inspiration and a challenge. Miss Gilroy contributed a very

# C.C.F. Urges Fixed Prices For Farmers

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33 cents a gallon whereas in Ottawa the same gas sells for 24 cents a gallon. Also the meat packing industry is controlled by two companies—the Swift Canadian Company and Canada Packers—who control 80 per cent of the entire meat packing in Canada. The International Harvester Company controls 60 per cent of all the implements sold. Thus we have one giant corporation which sets the price for all the others.

"Today Canada is a land of monopolies," continued Mr. Coldwell. "Shall these monopolies be allowed to continue to set the price to the producer and ultimate consumer in order to create a scarcity or shall we as a nation control our raw material and natural resources and industries that have reached the stage of monopoly? Shall we plan in the interests of all people or shall a few people plan for all? In Sweden years ago they recognized that they must create co-operative societies under the government if possible and secondly that if they dealt with monopolies they must be brought under government control. Old age pensions are paid in Sweden by the revenue from the sale of tobacco and liquor."

The speaker stated that he and a visitor from New Zealand compared the C.C.F. program and the New Zealand program point by point and that they were almost identically the same.

"The government in New Zealand took over in a very critical time in history and the first thing it did was to take over the control of the central bank," stated Mr. Coldwell. "The taking over of the Bank of Canada by the Canadian government represents a triumph for the C.C.F. party. In New Zealand the farmer is given a fixed price of 25 cents a pound for his butter and 15 cents for his cheese and they have begun to stabilize the agriculture industry, and the farmer has been guaranteed a decent standard of living. The farm laborer in New Zealand has been guaranteed a maximum eight hour day, holidays with pay, and a basic minimum wage of \$4 daily."

"We are sending young men out to the west now for \$5 a month. Last August there were only 1,238 unemployed in New Zealand, vast works were undertaken and the money was raised through increased taxation. Last year in Canada with unemployment rampant and poverty everywhere, there were four hundred and seven thousand registered unemployed. The largest amount of corporation dividends ever paid out in Canada was in 1938. The present government, when elected in 1935, promised to wipe out the sales tax but in the first budget the tax was raised from six to eight per cent and today we have the highest sales tax of any country I know."

"In New Zealand they raise money by taxation, but the problem before us is planning our economic life," stated Mr. Coldwell. "Those who are in control today are heads of the great monopolies. The function of parliament is not to do anything in particular but to give the representatives of the people a chance to discuss their problems and then lay down the broad lines of policy to be followed. This parliament has failed to do the things they ought to have done. Premier King's philosophy is traditional Liberalism—to leave things alone and somehow things will right themselves. His policy is that of laissez faire. Premier King is doing things right as he's leaving them alone."

"Only by restoration to the people of the control of distribution and production, and by intelligent planning of our economic conditions, will we find the way out of our misery today. The powers of wealth and interest are against us but planning is essential for our future welfare. Is this not socialism? No, this planning is not socialism. The best definition of socialism has been given by a woman, Mrs. Willard, founder of the W.C.T.U. movement and she said about socialism, 'It's God's way of living—it is Christianity applied.' Today socialism represents a philosophy which dominates the most progressive countries of the world—Norway, Sweden, etc."

"Great inventions are making it less possible for individuals to live their lives," continued Mr. Coldwell. "In large factories where new machinery and inventions are used with only one end in view—profit for those who have capital invested and for private gain, we have the cause of our unemployment. Machinery takes the place of workmen but it is the capitalists who are to blame. Unemployment could become wide-

spread but under our plan it will become leisure and what is more desirable than that? That is part of the philosophy of the movement which I represent. Unless we do begin to do these things and to solve these problems, we will drift the way of other countries, to misery, want, oppression, and finally to revolt and the overthrow of our system of living."

"The dictators have ground down and militarized the people and oppression always breeds revolt. The dictators will go out with revolt and blood-shed the way they came in to power. The dictators of Germany and Italy, who are the heads of the fascist movement, may deliver us into the hands of powerful groups who are anxious to control the country."

Turning next to the grain-growing industry, Mr. Coldwell stated that one member of parliament said that \$230 was the yearly income of farmers.

"Where I come from in Saskatchewan, the farmers are producing wheat at a loss as they are only being paid 30 to 40 cents a bushel for it. Whereas the cost of producing one bushel of wheat on average land and in an average year is 90 cents. But year after year the western farmer is getting less than 90 cents. The six hundred million dollar agriculture debt in Saskatchewan is only in part due to drought, but the main cause is marketing the commodity at less than the cost of production. In New Zealand a standard price is set and in Canada those who produce should receive a reward for their labor."

"Premier King hopes something will turn up and he hopes it will be all to the good of the country. I am in accord with the new trade treaty now being discussed in the house of commons and I will vote for it as I think anything that tends to bring better agreement between the U.S.A. and England should be approved."

"Canada is a most backward country in social legislation," continued Mr. Coldwell. "We have old age pensions, but they are pre-death loans as the government takes a lien on any property the person has. The maximum old age pension per month in Saskatchewan is \$15. In New Zealand all men and women over 60 received \$30 monthly, and their government believes that they should encourage elderly people to cease their labor and give the rising generation a chance to earn a living."

"Other countries are adopting housing schemes, but in the west many families are living in three rooms and in wind-swept shacks on the prairie. We have idle workmen and a supply of raw material but we lack the intelligence so that if money were available homes would be built. In order to preserve the health of our people they must have better homes. New Zealand's population is one-tenth of Canada's and in this ratio Canada should have built 35,000 homes last year, but we didn't begin to build that number. These are all problems which must be taken over if we wish to make our country secure."

"The C.C.F. plan is clear, concise, and pronounced," stated Mr. Coldwell. "Canada is a nation and in international affairs this nation ought to control its own destiny. We should not follow governments over which we have no control. The European countries are still unsettled and the threat of war has not yet passed away. When Prime Minister Chamberlain returned from Europe he didn't bring peace but an uneasy truce. The prospect of war is more inevitable now than it was six months ago. We in Canada ought to be in a position to say what we are to do in any problem which may arise. The Liberal party say 'We'll wait and see,' while the C.C.F. party say 'Let us control our own policy and work out our problems in the way they should be carried out.'"

Following Mr. Coldwell's address, there was a short discussion and questions were answered by the speaker.

## SHARON RANGERS WIN OVER LANDING BOYS

There will be a progressive euchre in the hall on Tuesday evening, March 21, under the auspices of Sharon Women's Institute. Good prizes will be given.

Proceeds of euchre will be for hall improvements. Playing starts sharp at 8.30 p.m. Everyone will be welcome. Come and have a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hillaby and Douglas visited in Markham on Sunday, Miss Williamson returning with them for some holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Collins and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Evans attended the Glee-College wedding at St. Paul's Avenue Rd. United church, Toronto, on Saturday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Copeland of Toronto are spending a couple of weeks with Mrs. Shaw. Miss Blanche Hall of Mount

# The Quality Tea "SALADA" TEA

Albert spent the weekend at home.

The sympathy of friends at Sharon goes to relatives of the late Absalom Willson in their time of trouble.

Service will be at the United church on Sunday next at the usual time, 7.30 p.m. Sunday-school will be at 10.30 a.m. Everyone will be welcome at both services.

The Sharon group of Trail Rangers met last Thursday night at the school-house, with Rev. H. Shannon and Mr. Caster, the teacher, in charge.

The Sharon Trail Rangers hockey team was successful in beating the Holland Landing Greyhounds last Friday night at Queensville rink. The game was close throughout but the Sharon boys didn't miss many opportunities, and finally emerged winners with a score of 5-2.

## TORONTO MARKETS

Prices on the Toronto markets on Tuesday were, eggs, selling prices to retail trade, grade A large, 25 cents, A medium, 24 cents and pullets 23 cents a dozen. Butter to retail trade was 24 to 24½ cents a pound for creamery prints, No. 1, Turkeys, grade A, 8 to 14 pounds were 28 cents to the shipper, geese, grade A, were 15 to 16 cents, spring broilers, 2½ to 4½ pounds were 17 to 18 cents. Fatted hens, over 5 pounds were 18 to 19 cents and ducks, over 5 pounds, were

18 cents. Butcher steers and heifers brought \$3.50 to \$7 and butcher cows, \$3.75 to \$5.25. Choice veal calves ended at \$9.50 to \$10. Off-truck bacon hogs finished at \$9 with dressed weights at \$12. The lamb market was steady at \$8.75 to \$9 for good ewes and wether.

Prices on the local market on Saturday were, eggs, grade A large, 25 cents, A medium, 23 cents and pullets, 20 cents. Butter was 25 cents a pound. Hens sold at 20 and 21 cents a pound. Chickens were 25 cents a pound. Apples were 20 cents and 25 cents for a six-quart basket. Carrots and onions were 15 cents a basket. Turnips and cabbage sold at 5 cents each.

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DATED at Toronto this 13th day of March 1939.  
Ellsworth Fisher, Executor  
By W. S. Jenkins, 18 Toronto Street, Toronto, his solicitor here-in. c3w7

## Sale Register

Tuesday, March 21—At east half, lot 24, concession 1, Scott (1 1/2 miles west of Zephyr). Horses, grade Short-horns and Jersey cattle, 4 Brood sows, young hogs, Rock wool, hay, grain, farm machinery, furniture, the property of Jacob J. Meyer. Sale at 12.30. Terms cash. W. F. Marquis, auctioneer, Uxbridge, Ont. c2w7

Saturday, March 25—Auction sale of household goods and stock, the property of W. F. Hoover, lot 31, rear con. 2, Whitechurch. Sale at 1 p.m. Terms cash. A. S. Farmer, Gormley, Ont., auctioneer.

Saturday, March 25—Postponed auction sale of farm stock, implements, hay, grain, etc., the property of Charles Rogers, lot 1, con. 2, Old Survey, King township, two miles west of Newmarket. No reserve as farm has been sold. Sale 1 p.m. sharp. Terms cash. F. N. Smith, auctioneer. T. A. Hamer, clerk. c2w7

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO THE LEGISLATURE

Notice is hereby given that The Corporation of the Township of King will apply to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario at its next session for legislation.

1. To validate and confirm by-laws numbers 681, 682, 683, and 684 of the Township of King.
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7. Any person having 0.15 per cent (one drop and a half of alcohol in 1,000 drops of blood) or above that percentage, is not only "under the influence of drink," but is under this influence to such an extent as to be incapable of proper control of a motor car.—White Ribbon Tidings.

## BIRTHS

Griffith—At York county hospital, March 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Griffith, Aurora, a son.

Hulse—At York county hospital, March 12, to Mr. and Mrs. Abner Hulse, Aurora, a son.

## DEATHS

Cook—After a brief illness, at her home, Mount Albert, on Wednesday, March 15, Rachel Morris, widow of Daniel Cook.

Seaton—At his late residence, lot 17, con. 2, King township, on Sunday, March 12, Enoch Seaton, husband of Mary Seaton.

Willson—At Sharon, on Saturday, March 11, Absalom Willson, in his 90th year, husband of the late Harriet A. Stokes, and father of Mrs. Willard Grose, Sharon; Frank R. Willson, Souris, Manitoba, and Mrs. Charles R. Montgomery, Toronto.

A private funeral service was held from his late residence on Monday, March 13, followed by a Masonic service, Interment Queensville cemetery.

Woodard—At Newmarket, on Monday, March 13, Martha Hitts Woodard, in her 78th year.

Funeral service in Heise Hill church, Gormley, on Thursday, March 16, at 2 o'clock. Interment adjoining cemetery.

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late George E. Ayers wish to express their sincere appreciation to those who so kindly assisted them during their recent sad bereavement, also for the beautiful floral tributes received.

## CARD OF THANKS

Mr. John E. Andrews and family wish to express their sincere thanks and deep appreciation to the many relatives, friends and neighbors for the acts of kindness, expressions of sympathy and floral tributes extended during the loss of a dear wife and mother.

## In Memoriam

Foster—In loving memory of a dear brother and uncle, Milton Foster, who passed away two years ago, March 17, 1937.

Days of sadness still come o'er us,  
Tears in silence often flow,  
For the memory keeps you ever near us.

Though you died two years ago,  
Your faint last wish we should like to have heard,  
And whispered to you one last parting word.

Only those who have lost are able to tell  
The pain in the heart at not saying farewell.

We expect to meet you again in Heaven,  
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And the Saints who have gone on before.

Lovingly remembered by family.

Rose—In loving memory of our dear mother and father, Ida M. Rose, who passed away Aug. 9, 1936, and John A. Rose, who passed away March 15, 1937.

Oh happy hours we once enjoyed,  
How sweet their memory still,  
But death has left a loneliness  
The world can never fill.

Lovingly remembered by the family.

Willson—In loving memory of the late Absalom Willson.

He is not dead,  
Life has but set him free.  
It is his gain,  
Though loss to you and me.

His years of life  
And train of friends were long  
Till that friendship still held strong.

# SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

—Mr. Irving Lindenbaum of Hanover spent a couple of days in town this week with Mr. and Mrs. I. Lindenbaum.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Woolven, Miss Luella Woolven and friend spent Sunday with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Arthur Duffield, Oshawa.

—Miss Helen Bogart of Toronto spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Bogart.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kershaw and two children of Toronto spent the weekend with Mrs. Kershaw's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Thompson.

—Miss Doris Comber of Toronto spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Gordon Thompson.

—Miss Maude Little of Woodbridge spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Little.

—Mrs. Robert McCannan of Holland Landing spent the weekend with her son, Mr. Bert McCannan.

—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Church spent Sunday with Mrs. Church's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert McCannan.

—Miss Sarah Jones of Toronto and Mrs. William Jones of Hamilton spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Jones.

—Mrs. Verne Cane is spending a week or ten days in Toronto.

—Mrs. J. W. Bowman was visiting friends in Orillia for a few days last week, and also accompanied Mr. Bowman to North Bay on a business trip.

—Mr. Howard Boyd and Mr. Arthur Boyd, who are attending the University of Toronto, spent the weekend with the former's

parents, Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Boyd.

—Miss Marie Lauder of Toronto was the weekend guest of Miss Jean Hunter.

—Miss Jean Hunter, Mr. A. N. Belugin, Misses Alice and Vera Belugin, Mr. E. J. Davis, Miss Barbara Davis, Mrs. Frank Courtney and Mrs. A. VanSant attended the recital in Massey Hall given by Nelson Eddy last Thursday.

—Mrs. I. Harris sang at the recital at the Toronto Conservatory of Music, given by Miss Eileen Law for her pupils, on Tuesday night.

—Mr. and Mrs. James Tingate and children of Welland spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Sanderson.

—Mr. Norman Menor, now living in the United States, but formerly of Newmarket and East Gwillimbury, is in town this week, visiting relatives and friends.

—Friends and relatives numbering between 35 and 40 from Toronto and town surprised Mrs. Stella Boyd last Saturday evening with a party in honor of her birthday.

—Mr. George Davison of Smith's Falls was in town one day last week renewing old acquaintances.

—Mrs. Ken. Mount is very ill with pneumonia at her home on D'Arcy St.

—Miss Audrey Hammell spent the weekend in Toronto, the guest of Miss Doris Young.

—Mrs. James McGowan of Niagara Falls has returned home after having spent the past few weeks visiting Mr. Charles Theakston, Gorham St.

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## CHEROKEE CLUB HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET

The annual banquet of the Cherokee club was held at the Friends church on Friday evening attended by fifty members and their guests. The tables were very attractively decorated with the club colors of yellow and green and a pretty birthday cake held a place of honor at the head table. The ladies of the church served a delicious dinner.

Mrs. Alex. Eves, president of the club, acted as toastmistress. A toast to the King was followed by the national anthem. Miss Jean Hunter led a rousing song with Mrs. A. Bailey at the piano. Mrs. A. Brammer proposed a toast to our guests to which Mrs. Geo. Young very fittingly responded. Mrs. W. M. Cockburn proposed the toast to our club and briefly outlined its activities. This was ably responded to by Mrs. Hooker. Miss Jean Hunter sang in a charming manner, "The Blind Ploughman," accompanied by Mrs. A. Bailey.

Mrs. H. Cane spoke briefly of our worthy efforts and urged us to keep up the good work, closing her remarks with an appropriate poem, "If I had a year to live." The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and Mrs. Ed. Brammer, good cheer conveyor, told us of the number of bouquets, boxes and good cheer baskets which had been sent out during the year. Mrs. T. Leach rendered a very pleasing solo, "In the Garden of Tomorrow," and chose for an encore, "Just for to-day." She was accompanied by Mrs. George Young. The guest speaker, Mrs. T. T. Faichney, was introduced by Mrs. N. L. Matthews. Mrs. Faichney gave a delightful travel talk of her trip to China with Mr. Faichney. Their first port of call was Honolulu. She told of many interesting things about the islands and mentioned the great beauty of the Hawaiian dances in their native setting. The next stop was Yokohama and then China.

Mrs. Faichney stated that she had seen enough of the horrors of war to give her a lively

# JOYCE O. COLLINS IS MARRIED IN TORONTO

A picturesque wedding was solemnized on March 11 in St. Paul's United church, Avenue Rd., Toronto, when Miss Joyce Orian Collins, R.N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Collins, Sharon, became the bride of Elmond McKinnon Glebe, Toronto, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Glebe, Hanover.

Rev. W. Harold Young officiated, against a background of palms and spring flowers. Richard Tattersall played the wedding music.

The bride, a graduate of Toronto General Hospital, was given in marriage by her father and wore a smart beige gown with matching gloves, violet hat and shoes. She carried a colonial bouquet of roses and violets.

Mrs. Arthur Doan Evans attended her sister as matron of honor and wore periwinkle blue with navy accessories. Her flowers were a colonial bouquet of pink and blue sweet peas. Mr. Evans was best man.

A family reception was held at the home of Mrs. Edward Harrison, the bride's mother wearing a royal blue cut velvet gown with matching hat and corsage of red roses and peonies narcissus. The groom's mother was in black velvet with corsage of pink roses and sweet peas.

Following the reception, the bride and groom, in an interesting ceremony conducted by Mr. Frank Spence, M.P.P., were made honorary members of the Ojibway tribe. Mr. and Mrs. Glebe, after a short honeymoon in the States, will reside at the Village Manor, Eglinton Ave., Toronto.

The regular meeting of the Evangeline auxiliary of the United church W.M.S. was held in the church parlors on Tuesday evening.

The devotional period and chapter from the study book was taken by the centre group under the leadership of Mrs. J. McConachie.

Rev. R. R. McMath gave a brief talk on his impressions of the Pont-Madras conference.

## WILL MARK FOUNDER'S CENTENARY THIS YEAR

The regular meeting of the W.C.T.U. was held at the home of Mrs. D. McIntyre on March 14, with the president, Mrs. Arthur Winn, in the chair. Mrs. J. N. Dales took charge of the devotional exercises, reading from the 21st chapter of St. John.

"Jesus asked Peter, 'Lovest thou me more than these?' and Peter was told 'Feed my lambs.' Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. Our conversation should be such as become a follower of Christ. We should not neglect the little chances for good that we find along the way." Prayer was offered by Mrs. Dales.

The scientific temperance work is being taken up in the public schools.

Mrs. Burton Hill sang a lovely solo, "Help Somebody Today," accompanied by Mrs. C. Winger. Miss L. Toole then gave a fine paper on the life of Frances Willard. She was the first secretary and organizer of the W.C.T.U. and was born Sept. 28, 1839, thus the centenary of her birth will be celebrated this year, 1939.

Frances Willard was born at Churchville, New York, and attended school at Jamestown. When the mother of Frances passed away, she wrote, "Many make the household but only one makes the home." She died Feb. 17, 1896, at the age of 57 and was buried near Rochester.

Mrs. Elmer Starr gave a short account of the temperance convention held in Toronto.

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appreciation of the peace and beauty of her native land. All foreigners there seem to be very closely associated and try as much as possible to retain the spirit of their homeland.

The address was much enjoyed and it is the sincere wish of the club that at some time, in the not too distant future, Mrs. Faichney will grant us the privilege of hearing her again. The gathering closed with the repeating of the misal benediction.

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## MRS. McMATH DISPLAYS IRISH SOUVENIRS

An exceedingly interesting feature at Trinity United Women's Association on Thursday, March 2, was an exhibition of souvenirs from Erin's Green Isle presented by Mrs. R. R. McMath. The souvenirs included the following: a rock from the Giant's Causeway, a shillelagh, the delicate Belleek china, Connemara Marble, etc.

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The Jones sewing machine is manufactured near Manchester, England, in the largest factory in England, exclusively making first-class sewing machines, established 1859.

## ST. PAUL'S W. A. MEETS

Last Thursday, the W. A. of St. Paul's Anglican church had their monthly devotional and business meeting and a motion was passed thanking all who contributed to the talent table at the Brown Betty tea last month.

The members are planning another in the near future, but will wait before setting the date till they see if any other organization has chosen the same day. March 17 was already taken, so it was postponed for a week.

## ARE PRESENTING MUSICAL PROGRAM

A musical program is being presented by the Mount Albert high school glee club and Sutton high school glee club at Mount Albert tonight. The program is being conducted by Marie Draper Lyons.

## MISSION CIRCLE WILL MEET MARCH 18

The Velma Widdifield Mission circle will meet at the home of Miss Lelia Piper, Timothy St., on Friday, March 17, at 8 p.m.

Office Boy: "I set six eggs for breakfast this morning."  
Bookkeeper: "You mean ate, don't you?"  
Office Boy: "Well maybe it was eight I et."

Joe: "What animal am I imitating?"  
Joe: "99-klonk, 99-klonk, 99-klonk."  
Joe: "I give up."  
Joe: "A centipede with one wooden leg."

"Are you unmarried?" inquired the census-taker.  
"Oh, dear no," answered the lady, blushing to the roots of her hair.  
"I've never been married!"

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## Girls More Anxious To Learn, Night Classes Show

### EIGHTEEN GIRLS TURN UP AT FIRST NIGHT CLASS IN HIGH SCHOOL

Night classes, an educational experiment being conducted in Aurora under direction of the high school board, got off to a fine start on Monday night, when the classes met for the first time.

It had been expected that the boys' classes would be most quickly filled, but the girls pulled a surprise on all concerned, when they swarmed into the high school, 18 of them, to take instruction in domestic science.

Eleven boys showed up, and it is expected that an increased membership will be marked in both classes, as a number have voiced their intention of attending the next session.

The classes are held on Monday and Wednesday evenings.

### MRS. BARKEY IS HOSTESS TO CHOIR

Members of the choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church enjoyed a St. Patrick's party on Wednesday evening, the guests of Mrs. D. E. Barkey, president of the choir.

For girls there is instruction in cooking and sewing, and for the boys the work includes elementary drafting, wood and metal working, soldering, etc.

Principal J. H. Knowles and Dr. G. W. Williams, chairman of the high school board, were present on Monday evening to see that the classes started in good order.

The classes have been started as an experiment, Mr. Knowles told The Era, and if they prove satisfactory, will probably start again next fall.

## Aurora Takes 4-2 Lead In First Of Semi-Final Tests

### LINDSAY'S GANGING ATTACK BRINGS IN TWO GOALS FOR AURORA

Lindsay's "hurry-hurry" call to Aurora for a hockey game backfired badly on Thursday night when the purple and white squad journeyed up to the northern arena and came back with the sunny side of a 4-2 score.

The Lindsay club should be given credit for a good guess, however, for the Aurora team was not at its best. Folliott's illness had left him too weak to play more than a few minutes, and Collings, brought back to the defence line, left the McComb attack weakened.

But while Aurora was weakened as a team, individually they had far too much stuff on the puck for Lindsay to handle. Time after time, the splendidly organized Lindsay attack was broken up before they could get the puck flying goalwards.

The Lindsay boys looked great coming up the ice, but they could not get up far enough to score. Then, too, they made the mistake of playing four men up when Aurora was a man short, and the flashing Aurorans broke loose to score twice when they were short handed.

Lindsay got the first break of the game, scoring on an Angier to Jackson play at the ten-minute mark. Attempting to follow up their success, the Lindsay lads forgot to protect their own goal and Cummings reminded them of this fact when he burned through the whole team, to score on a solo and even the score.

Aurora came through again with a McComb-to-McComb-to-McComb play that completely baffled Lindsay and gave Aurora a 2-1 lead.

Lindsay put on a power drive

### AURORAN IS SURE OF SEEING TENNIS MATCH

One Auroran, at least, is sure of seeing the forthcoming tennis match between Barry and Budge, tennis professionals, in Toronto. He is Keith Davis, who has been appointed one of the linesmen for the match.

In the second period that gave them their second goal when they circled the Aurora defence to score after two minutes of play.

McComb and Bone showed some fine work to almost solve the problem of bigger and better scores, and then the second line came on to follow their example. Michaniuk flicked in a pass from Collings to make it 3-2 for Aurora. Cummings just failed to score a few minutes later.

The rushing of Bone and Cummings featured the play when Michaniuk was resting in the penalty box. Then, in the third period, Donkin put on one of his lightning rushes and passed to a team-mate to score. Aurora suffered two more penalties in this period but it did Lindsay no good.

Carr continued to show plenty of class in neat net-minding and proved to be a stumbling block for many Lindsay rushes.

Referee "Army" Armstrong and Ken Holmesaw handled a good game. Aurora, who has taken to a more rugged style of play since they met the hard-checking Collingwood team, suffered the greater share of the penalties.

Following the game an executive session resulted in the decision to put the Aurorans on the ice again while they were in a winning mood, and while Lindsay was on the run. Plans were made, therefore, for the return game to be played in Aurora on Saturday night.

## ENOCH SEATON, KING TOWNSHIP FARMER AND FORMER AURORAN, DIES IN 72ND YEAR

A farmer for many years on the second concession of King, Enoch Seaton died on Sunday, in his 72nd year. He had been born in Toronto and moved with his family to Aurora, then to the King farm on his marriage to the former Mary Smith, who survives him.

Mr. Seaton was a successful farmer, and was well-known and respected throughout the community.

Also surviving are three sons,

William, Clifford, and Charles, at home; two daughters, Rena, in Toronto, and Evelyn, at home; and one brother, William, in Aurora.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday afternoon from the Aurora United church. Rev. Dr. E. J. Thompson officiated. Pallbearers were M. D. Richardson, W. G. Marchant, Mayor George Baldwin, E. Bateman, Lorne Cousins and C. Felker.

Interment was made in Aurora cemetery.

## PRODUCTION OF RADIO PROGRAMS NOT SIMPLE AS IT SEEMS, UNITED YOUNG PEOPLE DECIDE

The production of radio programs is not so simple as it might seem, members of the United church Y.P.S. decided at the conclusion of their meeting on Monday night.

Under the direction of Ruth Billbrough, the group held a discussion of current radio programs, and endeavored to learn what was listened to and why. Opinions varied on whether the radio did much to give an appreciation of the better type of music.

Then the members tried to figure out a one-hour variety show of their own, with considerable argument as to whether the program should be humorous or serious, or a combination of both. At the conclusion of the discussion, all were willing to admit that radio production men might find the "soddy number" of "headaches" in their work.

Rehearsals are now under way

for two half-hour plays, "Sauce for the Gossips" and "Ordered South." The young people, under the direction of Mrs. Wm. Johnston, hope to stage their plays in a month or so.

## LODGE LOYALTY FILLS THREE VACANT POSTS

Dr. J. L. Urquhart was appointed surgeon at the regular meeting of Lodge Loyalty S.O.E.B.S., held in the Orange hall on Tuesday of last week, and H. Eveleigh was appointed treasurer. The two positions had been left vacant by the death of Dr. W. J. Stevenson. Ross Quinn was appointed sixth guide, filling the place of P. Barwick, who has moved out of town. The next meeting will be held in the same place on Tuesday.

## ABOUT TOWN

### NO SNITCHING

We do not know how many days, or weeks, or months it took us to learn our A B C's, but we do recall, with painful exactness, that it took us exactly two days to learn the golden rule of the classroom, "Thou shalt not snitch."

The first day we went to school, we found ourselves just one of a mob—one no one seemed to pay any attention to us—although we had always believed we were a person of importance, and were willing to tell everyone so. But nobody wanted to listen to us, that first day of school.

They listened to us the second day.

For the second day we took with us, beside our slate, a package of fire-crackers. These we generously passed around to the bigger boys of the school, seeking to win favorable attention from the mighty. We got all the attention we wanted that day.

The boys hit upon the idea of dropping the fire-crackers down the hot-air furnace pipes that heated the school. That afternoon, classes were delightfully interrupted by lovely "booms" from the basement.

The principal sought the cause, found it, and we were called up in front of class, where we tremblingly confessed our guilt and fearfully pointed out the lads to whom we had given the fire-crackers.

After school, we found a delegation of those same lads waiting for us. They wanted to punch our nose. They would, too, only we were a new boy. But they gave us definitely to understand that they were all set for a nose-punching bee, if we ever snitched again.

We learned our lesson, and somehow, we'd taken it for granted in years to come that others had learned the same lesson.

It was somewhat bewildering, then, a year ago last January, to hear the mayor, at the inaugural meeting, ask for the councilors' loyalty to council. It was more bewildering, some months later, to hear the plea for loyalty repeated, more urgently.

For it seemed that someone in council had skipped what was, for us, Lesson One: Thou shalt not snitch.

It seemed a shame that councilors should have to be asked to be loyal to each other.

It still seemed a shame when the plea was repeated at the inaugural meeting this year. And it seemed a greater shame that our reeve should have to ask for loyalty again in council last week, and that he found it necessary to make his plea stronger by naming names and circumstances.

That's calling a snitch a snitch.

### USELESS

But we've come to the conclusion that it won't do any good. If a fellow hasn't learned the meaning of loyalty before he won't learn it afterwards.

There is only one remedy—and it lies in your hands: don't vote for a snitcher. This applies to all walks of life. . . . a gossip is as low as the story he peddles.

Of course, there is no reason why you, the people, should not have a full knowledge of the administration of your affairs. We are not referring to information that belongs to the public, if it is fairly given.

### FOR EXAMPLE

What we are referring to are the occasions when council is required to vote on something that affects a private citizen. Private interests must give way to public interests, so the council votes against the interest of the private citizen.

The private citizen, thirsting for blood, seeks information from a member of council. If the councillor is loyal, he merely tells the citizen the verdict. If the councillor is afraid to stand on his own feet, then he may say something like this: "Of course I stood up for you, but Councilors A and B had it in for you and voted me down."

Then Councilors A and B find that the private citizen takes his business away from their shops—all because they acted in the public interest, and were penalized by their honesty by Councilor Snitcher.

We are not pointing a finger at anyone. We can honestly say that we have forgotten the names mentioned in council last week. We could know them tomorrow if we wished. We don't want to.

We do say, however, that the snitcher, whether he be in council, in the sewing circle, club, or company, should be taught the

## OPEN EYES BEFORE GOING TO WAR, UNITED W.A. TOLD

### TORONTO SPEAKER GIVES INTERESTING TALK ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

If we get into war through our ties with Great Britain, let us do it with our eyes open, was the suggestion of Mrs. J. Grievess, Toronto, who addressed a meeting of the W.A. of the Aurora United church on Thursday afternoon of last week.

Canadians have little or no control over British foreign policy, Mrs. Grievess stated, adding that Britain seemed inclined to pay more attention to the United States than to Canada.

Mrs. Grievess discussed the purpose of the League of Nations. It was as strong as the countries wanted it to be, she stated. Its purpose was to do away with causes of war and to lift standards of living. It had accomplished much in dealing with the narcotic and slave traffic, and with matters that affected health and labor, she said.

Politically, however, the league was now impotent, the speaker declared, but stated that its powers could be regained if the larger nations would permit it.

Mrs. Grievess criticized any move to cut down local governments. She thought careful thought should be given to the

### PRESBYTERIAN JUNIOR W.A. HOLDS MEETING

Members of the young women's auxiliary of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church met at the home of Mrs. J. Easdale, Edwards St., on Tuesday evening.

matter and warned her hearers that the policy of cutting down on local governments was one which had been sponsored by dictators.

The speaker also warmly condemned Toronto daily newspapers, which had, she stated, suppressed the Herridge speech recently. Mr. Herridge had a plan, she stated, but Toronto papers had failed to report him.

Mrs. Grievess stated that the planet Mars would be approaching the earth this summer, and she wondered if the Martians would recognize the earth as Bernard Shaw had described it—as the insane asylum of the solar system.

The devotional part of the meeting was taken by Mrs. E. J. Thompson. Material for the new curtains for the church parlors was displayed, and the members were asked to volunteer help in making up the curtains. Plans were made also for a chicken pie supper to be held on March 16.

## Snowflake Nearly Causes Riot In Sunny California

### IN-AS-MUCH CLUB HEARS OF NEIGHBORS LIVING IN LOS ANGELES

(The following is another in the series of letters written by Mrs. Lillian Freeman to members of the In-As-Much club. Mrs. Freeman is at present in Los Angeles, Calif.)

Dear Clubites—

I seem to have been at a loss lately for interesting material for letter-writing. We have not done any extensive travelling, nor have we had any very exciting experiences to write about, so this letter will just be a chat about this and that and about people we have met.

First of all I must describe to you a terrific snow storm we had a week or two ago.

I can hear some of you remarking that a snow storm is no news in Aurora, but this one caused great excitement here. I was an eye witness of the fact that one flake fell on a roof overlooked by our window and Mr. Freeman, who was out at the time, returned to tell me that one fell in the next block and nearly caused a riot.

Friends who live in Hollywood said that for half an hour they could actually see a tinge of white here and there. However, in a few minutes the sun came out from behind the clouds and the snow gave up in disgust, thus closing another page in California history.

We have been visiting back and forth with our Ontario friends frequently and last week we attended a birthday dinner at which there were 14 guests, of whom 12 were formerly Ontario people.

The dinner was given by Mr. and Mrs. C. Carruthers, in honor of Mr. Havelock, of Unionville, a relative of Professor Chant of Dunlop Observatory at Richmond Hill. Mrs. Carruthers was formerly Miss Theresa Linton, of Aurora, while Mr. Carruthers hails from Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Barkey, Stouffville, Miss McFayden, Sunderland, and Mrs. Farewell, who, though she has lived for some years in Winnipeg, was born and brought up in Ontario. So, with one exception, Mrs. Wander, of Saskatchewan, we were all Ontario people—quite a gathering of the clan.

Another very interesting event which we attended was a

schoolroom ruling of "Thou shalt not snitch." It may not be possible to offer a punch in the nose, but they should not be offered encouragement or public support.

Again we say, the remedy is in your hands. If a man has honest criticism of the particular group to which he belongs, let him be a man and make it to that group.

If he attempts to make it in the post office, on the corner, or in the barber shop, or anywhere else, it is up to you to make known the contempt you feel for the person who is loyal to his fellow-man . . . only if the fellow-man is in hearing distance.

Defilement of reputations of men who attempt, in one capacity or another, to act for the public good, is too miserable a business for you to be a party to.

—J. F. W.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. L. Stephens observed their 18th wedding anniversary on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sisman have returned from several weeks in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. George Elliott and Miss Mary Elliott of Toronto spent the weekend with Mrs. J. Elliott, Wellington St.

Mr. N. DePencier has returned from a winter in the south.

Mrs. H. Bain left last week to visit her sister, who is ill in Oakville.

Mrs. H. J. Charles returned on Monday from a few days visit in Toronto.

Miss Marion Thompson of the Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby, spent the weekend with her parents here. Miss Olive Koloff accompanied her.

Mrs. Baker of Newmarket visited Mrs. J. Gowan on Thursday.

Mrs. R. Paynter returned to Toronto after spending some days with her sister, Mrs. J. Gowan.

Mrs. John Bullock of Gananoque, who has been visiting Mrs. A. R. Williams for a few days, left on Tuesday.

Miss M. Draper, R.N., of Toronto, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Osborne for the weekend.

Mr. Ed Cole motored to Weston on Monday to attend the funeral of the late Mr. A. McLean.

Members of the Aurora branch of the Women's Institute will hold a novel meeting on Thursday of next week at the home of Mrs. Frank Grainger, Mark St.

The roll call will be answered by an exchange of flower seeds.

Another feature of the meeting will be a paper on home economics, to be given by Mrs. Roy De La Haye.

Hostesses for the meeting are Mrs. F. Grainger, Mrs. J. Shave and Mrs. J. R. Harrison.

### BOWLERS ENTERTAIN NEWLY WEDDED COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. William Morris were guests of honor at a surprise party held for them by their fellow members in the Aurora Bowling club at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Morris, Wellington St., on Thursday evening of last week.

The couple, both members of the club, were presented with an attractive floor lamp. Mrs. N. E. Eade made the presentation and M. L. Andrews read the address.

Mrs. Charles Williamson and Arthur Atkinson were winners in the euchre which formed part of the evening's program.

### H. S. ATTENDANCE IS CUT BY 25 PER CENT

High school attendance fell off 25 per cent this week, because of the "flu." The Era learned on Tuesday. About 50 of the 200 pupils enrolled at the high school were absent on Monday and Tuesday, it was stated.

The number of absentees represents the peak, it is believed, as up to this time, the attendance has not suffered too badly.

### But No Pedestrians

Tourist—"Did you see a pedestrian pass here?"

Native—"No, I've been sittin' here all afternoon and nobody's come by 'ceptin' one solitary man; he was afoot."

### Not Required

"A statesman is supposed to be familiar with all public questions."

"Yes," replied Senator Surghum, "but not necessarily with all the answers."

### VANDORE

### REV. BRUCE G. GREY IS TO BE GUEST SPEAKER

Rev. Bruce G. Grey of the United church board of home missions is to give an illustrated address on Canada from coast to coast, in Wesley church auditorium on Sunday evening, March 19. The proceeds are in aid of the missionary fund. Everyone is welcome.

Miss Audrey Switzer and Miss Ruth Oliver spent the weekend in Toronto.

Mrs. Edmund Powell of Toronto has been visiting her brother, Mr. Ralph Willis and Mrs. Willis.

Miss Ruth Willis of Toronto spent the weekend at home.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. King and family, of Scotland, visited Mrs. King's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Switzer, last week.

## Championship Is Nearer As Lindsay Pushed Out

### VISITORS FALL BACK BEFORE FOUR-GOAL FIRST PERIOD ASSAULT

Lindsay players and followers who came to Aurora looking for a win in their second game of the junior "C" semi-final series, found they were gazing down the wrong end of the gun on Saturday night, and when the referees pulled the trigger, they were pretty well scattered over the ice.

Saturday night must still be bath-night up in Lindsay, for the team went home "all washed up" on the lower end of a 7-3 score on the game and an 11-5 decision on the round.

Four big-town coaches came up, to see how Charles Rowntree did it, and only swelled heads or a long lay-off will stop many of the Aurora players from having a heart-to-heart chat with those same four coaches later.

The first period gave even the 50-centers their money's worth and was so packed with thrills that 20 "no-cash" customers burrowed their way into the rink past the otherwise engaged 15-odd county and town constables who found urgent business in the Aurora arena on Saturday night.

Lindsay started off the game with a determined attack that kept the Aurorans on the defensive, for the first few minutes.

Folliott was back on his feet again, however, and the Aurora defence, strengthened by back-checking tactics of the forwards, kept the Lindsay lads on the other side of the blue line.

Then the Bounding Bone, who has been giving goalies heart-failure with his torrid shots from centre ice, all season, lashed one past the Lindsay goalie at the eight-minute mark. Carr was called upon for valiant work a few minutes later to keep out the revengeful Lindsay attack.

Michaniuk went off for slashing and Bone and Cummings combined on a goal that was called back for an offside. A few minutes later, however, Bone took the puck up the ice, and passed to Cummings who put Aurora two goals up on the game and 6-2 on the round.

The whole Michaniuk-Cummings-Donkin line got in on the next play, with Donkin getting credit for the goal. Thirty seconds later McComb sparked his forward line up the ice, and Dennis scored Aurora's fourth goal of the period.

Toward the end of the period Carr was again called on to show his stuff in keeping Lindsay out of the Aurora net.

The McComb-Gibbons-Dennis line started the second period and after 52 seconds of play,

Aurora still kept in the scoring picture, however, Michaniuk making good on a pass from Donkin. Betts, of Lindsay, came back for Lindsay's third goal of the night.

The game saw Mervyn Broughton back on the Aurora line-up and the blond-headed winger gave good value whenever he was on the ice, as did the hard-working Dennis, who showed plenty of ambition in skating both ways.

Every member of the team was worthy of star-rating, and fans are hoping they will learn to stay on the ice in the finals. Penalties have cost championships before, they know.

Referees "Army" Armstrong and "Dodger" Collings had a busy night, particularly in the second period.

## Debaters Win Move To Cut Out Provincial Government

### TRADE BOARD SPONSORS DEBATE; OWRAM, OSBORNE ARE WINNERS

A debate sponsored by the Aurora board of trade, "Resolved that provincial governments should be abolished," was won by the affirmative, represented by Lees Owrarn and Chester Osborne, on Tuesday evening in the town hall. The negative side was represented by Irwin Watts and Charles Kirk.

Judges of the debate, which was held under the chairmanship of Dr. E. J. Henderson, were Wilfred Adams, Rev. G. O. Lightbourn and Dr. C. J. Devins.

Lees Owrarn, who presented his views in a deliberate manner that made it easy to understand his points, stated that the provincial governments should be abolished, though he favored retention of the two-party system.

The provinces were divided politically, not geographically, he contended. Canada depended on outside markets, and these could best be obtained by an united Canada, he stated. The fact that Canada had 23,000 school boards was nothing to be proud of, he felt.

Mr. Owrarn cited the different wages paid for labor in Ontario and Quebec and stated that this was the business, not of provincial governments, as at present, but of a central government. He believed that a political stigma could attach to the whole of Canada because of the action of a single province, and used Alberta as an argument to this effect.

Duplication of services resulting from the various provincial governments, offered an opportunity for party graft, Mr. Owrarn said.

Irwin Watts, first speaker for the negative, rose to defend the present system. For common

interests we have a central government; for local interests we must have a provincial government, he contended.

If Canada had only a central government, Mr. Watts foresaw the establishment of commissions and bureaus to enquire into local matters, and these, he said, would offer as much opportunity for graft as would any other system.

Canada is geographically divided, Mr. Watts stated. He quoted the Canada Year Book to show the differences in industries and resources of each province. These different divisions needed separate legislation, he declared. Establishment of a large civil service, such as would be necessary for a central government, would enable government servants to "swing" an election. Mr. Watts feared that a dictatorship might be set up under a central government.

Chester Osborne, second speaker of the affirmative, pointed to the trans-Canada highway, which, 70 years after confederation, was still incomplete, as an example of what might be expected from provincial legislation.

He pictured the western provinces as standing helplessly aside while the central government helped them throughout the years of drought. Mr. Osborne's rapid-fire, vigorous speech left his opponents more or less hanging on the ropes, many listeners thought.

"Don't empty out the baby with the bath water," Charles Kirk, second speaker for the negative, advised his listeners. There might be faults in the provincial system, but that was no reason for doing away with it, he contended.

He gave George McCullagh's exclusion from the CBC radio chain as an example of the arbitrary action that might be expected from a central government.



## MEET IN SCHOOLHOUSE AND SHOWER BRIDE

Wedding bells are due to ring the end of this week for Mary Ferris of Kinghorn, ward of Mrs. Tena Wilson and Britton Riddell, son of John Riddell on the town line.

On Friday night, the people of Kinghorn gave Mary a good shower in the schoolhouse. Miss McBride and the pupils had the school beautifully decorated in green and white, with St. Patrick's and wedding favors. Several sets of crochets were played, then a short program given.

Helen Duncan, in regal tartan, danced the Highland Fling, and reels, etc., while Muriel Thorpe and Mr. Cleaves sang solos. Walter Rolling made the speech of the evening, giving Mary a good boost. Some of the pupils contributed a dialogue.

Then Mary was enthroned in the school armchair, the one that was used forty-odd years ago. It was trimmed in white, and placed under a large white wedding bell, with pink hearts, and above were white streamers with pink hearts decorating it at

intervals. Three lassies dressed in pink chiffon paper, frilly and fine, brought in the gifts. First, a wee Hollingshead came, drawing a wagon decorated with white and filled with parcels. Two others followed carrying a white trimmed clothes basket, also heaped with white gifts, while still other larger parcels were brought in. Miss Zetta Hollingshead assisted in the unwrapping and Mary had the thrill of opening the many fine and suitable gifts and reading the regards.

Lunch was served and after midnight the people left the fine old school once again.

On Wednesday night another shower will be given by the Baptist church at the parsonage. Friends wish every good thing for this fine young couple.

Deep snow and flu have been responsible for the cancellation of several services. Eversley Young People's was cancelled last week because of flu in the home where the meeting was to be held. Church service was cancelled on Sunday night because of the many people who were not able to attend, because of colds and blocked lanes. The elements certainly worked overtime on Sunday and filled in the tunnels which people have been digging

out all winter.

In order to reach the mailbox with this correspondence, it was necessary to dig. Snow was two feet deep for part of the way. It was no joke to dig out 5 or 6 rods of snow, but the baker calls to leave bread for those on Dufferin St. where the road is blocked, and it is necessary to have this way open.

Mrs. Velma Neill was hostess to the W.A. quilters on Wednesday. The Neills are living now in the home of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Ferguson, Mrs. Neill's grandparents.

Mr. Benfield, an elderly gentleman living in King City, passed away on Sunday morning. Mrs. Benfield is very ill with pneumonia.

Mr. John Dennison of King Station celebrated his 85th birthday on Sunday. Friends congratulate this kindly old farmer.

## KING CITY KING OCTAGENARIAN IS VICTIM OF INFLUENZA

It is with deep regret that the death is reported of Mr. Benfield, 82 years of age, caused by influenza. Friends extend their sympathy to his family.

The Y.P.U. held their regular meeting last Thursday evening, in the charge of the missionary department. The series of missionary education talks was continued. A paper entitled, "The man who drifted to sea on an ice floe," was given.

On Friday evening a social and shower was held in the Kinghorn public school in honor of Miss Mary Ferris. The first part of the evening was spent playing progressive croquinoles.

The prizes were, 1st ladies' prize, Mrs. Ward; 2nd ladies' prize, Miss Mazie Richards; ladies' consolation, Mrs. J. Riddell; 1st gentlemen's prize, Charles Black; 2nd gentlemen's prize, Lewis Scott, won on a draw; men's consolation prize, Mr. Phripp. This was followed by a short program.

Miss Mabel Rumble and two friends from Toronto spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Rumble.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman from the third line have moved into Mr. Herman McBride's house.

Moving is in the air. Mr. and Mrs. Neil have moved into the house of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Ferguson.

Owing to the bad snowstorm on Sunday, most of the churches cancelled their services.

Mr. J. T. Burns is in bed suffering from a heart attack.

Era printing prices are reasonable.

## PINE ORCHARD SCHOOL DEFEATS VANDORF, 4-3

One of the largest crowds of the season attended the Pickering rink last Friday. A game was played between Vandorf and Pine Orchard school teams. The score was 4-3 in favor of Pine Orchard.

Mrs. Charles Brandon, Jr., Mrs. Bert Dike, Miss Leta Hawtin and Miss Kathleen Radford attended the dimming tea held at the home of Mrs. Ed. Johnson, Thursday, March 9.

## PINE ORCHARD BOYS PROVIDE SNAPPY PROGRAM AND LUNCH

A goodly number enjoyed skating at the Pickering arena last Friday evening.

The boys had a good program at the community club last Wednesday evening, consisting of readings by F. Reid, E. Johnston and I. Lunney; several musical selections by R. Allen and P. Hutchinson and accordion selections by D. Hope. "The Enterprise" was given by G. Scooney and a quiz contest was conducted by J. Hope.

The boys are to be congratulated on the excellent lunch they served.

The girls will have charge of the next meeting on Friday evening, March 24.

Mr. Ross Armitage is lucky to be enjoying holidays in Toronto, while his neighbors are busy shovelling snow.

Mrs. W. Reid is sick with the flu. Mrs. McKnight is on the mend. Friends hope the sick list will lessen as the weather improves.

Mrs. G. Stevens entertained Mrs. W. Reid, Miss H. Reid, Mrs. J. Reid, Mrs. M. Wilson, Mrs. G. Wood, Mrs. R. Chapman, Mrs. J. Hope and Miss L. Hawtin to tea on Wednesday.

Mrs. E. Johnston entertained at tea on Thursday afternoon, when the following were among the guests, Mrs. M. Wilson, Mrs. C. Brandon, Miss K. Radford, Mrs. R. Sproston, Miss L. Hawtin and Mrs. B. Dike.

The parents should visit the school and enjoy viewing the project work and other articles exhibited on the walls of the rooms, making the rooms quite attractive-looking and different from the drab walls of the schools years ago.

## Schomberg

Misses Bertha Dixon and Florence Davis, Toronto, spent Sunday at their respective homes here.

Dr. and Mrs. M. K. Dillane were in the city on Tuesday of last week to see their new grandson, recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Dillane. Congratulations are extended.

Mrs. Clarence Marchant was in Aurora on Thursday last attending a Women's Institute meeting.

Mr. S. Fowler of Bowmanville spent the weekend renewing old acquaintances in this vicinity. He spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Wauchope.

Mrs. Wm. Marchant is visiting her daughter, Mrs. B. Sutton, and Mr. Sutton, in Sudbury.

The Schomberg public library board sponsored a euchre in the W. I. rooms on Wednesday night of last week. St. Patrick's decorations of green and white were a happy change. Prizewinners were: 1st, ladies, Mrs. Harold Thompson; consolation, Mrs. E. G. Lloyd; 1st, gentlemen, Walter Aitchison; consolation, E. McKay. There were also special St. Patrick's prizes.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held in the club room on Thursday afternoon, with the president, Mrs. E. J. Pearson, in charge. The attendance was small owing to the bad roads and epidemic of flu. The program was arranged by Mrs. R. Davis and Mrs. Fred Hunter. The main address was given by Rev. Mr. Galloway of King. Other numbers were: a song by a group of public school pupils; a dance by Misses Valerie Hunter and Thelma McGuire; a recitation by little Miss Derinda Moss. A St. Patrick's jingle contest was won by Rev. Mr. Galloway. The meeting closed with "God Save the King."

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rodger of Essex, Ont., and formerly of the Imperial Bank here, were visitors in town last week. They spent the one night of their stay with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dale.

Miss Ruby Cabell and Mrs. J. Miller entertained on Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. H. Fizzell, formerly Miss Ina Brown, recently married. Over 40 ladies gathered in the W.I. rooms and after an evening of cards, tendered the bride a kitchen shower. Mrs. Fizzell voiced her appreciation of the many fine gifts. Dainty refreshments were served.

**Kettleby**

A sale of property and household effects of the late Mrs. Ida Clapson was held on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clapson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Brock Rae and will return to their home in Chicago this week.

Mrs. Phyllis Davis of Aurora spent the weekend with her

## THE FURROW'S END BY LEONARD HARMAN

Cardinal Parelli becomes Pope Pius XII.

There is general approval of this choice. Tribute is paid to his experience as papal secretary of state. It is said that he will carry on the ideals of the late Pope Pius XI in works of peace. He is said to be bitterly opposed to racialism and religious persecution of any sort.

The new Pope accepts great responsibilities in a troubled world. Experience and broad viewpoint on the part of one in his position should provide a far-reaching contribution to peace and human welfare. Great is the power of the Roman Catholic church throughout the world.

Great is the number of Roman Catholics in Canada; over four million of our ten million people, according to the census of 1931. The number of Roman Catholics almost equals the combined total of the next three largest religious groups: United church, Anglican and Presbyterian. It is evident that no policy is likely to be adopted in this country if it is not acceptable in general terms to the Roman Catholic mind. And it is evident that a progressive Roman Catholic population in this country could exert a tremendous influence for social betterment.

Recently we were deeply touched by the moving picture, "Boys Town." A certain Father Flanagan became so concerned about the creation of criminals from boys who roamed homeless through city slums that he built a home for boys. An unstrained idealism such as his could only find its inspiration in a dynamic religion which led the priest from one venture to another in making a home for the

## SNOWBALL END SEASON'S EUCHE WITH OYSTER SUPPER

The final euchre club meeting of the season was held on Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Painter. At the conclusion of the game an oyster supper was enjoyed. The prizes were as follows: ladies' first, Mrs. Albert Farren; ladies' second, Mrs. Jas. Badger; ladies' consolation, Mrs. Earl Lloyd; ladies' travelling prize, Mrs. John Morning; gentlemen's first, Douglas Harrison; second, Jos. Beaulere; travelling, Albert Farren; consolation, Calvin Mitchell; high score for lady, Mrs. A. Farren; high score for men, Norval Mitchell; hostess prize, Mrs. Painter and Mrs. Wm. Farren, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Chambers of Toronto, a bride and groom of the week, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Wm. Farren, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Badger spent Sunday with friends in Aurora.

The many friends of Mr. Norman Teasdale are pleased to know he is feeling much better after a serious illness last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Davison and baby daughter are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Buckle, Yonge St.

The Y.P.S. are holding a box social and croquinoles party on the evening of March 17, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Storey.

Mr. Howard Haines has been quite ill with the influenza, but is improving.

## NEWMARKET W. C. T. U.

There is a pamphlet entitled "The Cigarette," which is being widely distributed in the U.S.A. as a protest against the well-organized propaganda of a large trust, backed by huge sums of money, to thrust this injurious habit upon the young people of the country.

The writer is Col. N. Sanctuary, and he has gathered his data from many reliable sources. He well understands that he is inviting all kinds of criticism from friends of the weed, but he dares to challenge these addits on the ground that not one person out of a thousand knows anything about the evils of this habit. He desires to emphasize the physical and scientific side of this subject and not the moral.

A big tobacco merchant in a letter to a friend of the Anti-Cigarette League some time ago, said this: "We all agree that excessive smoking injures the heart, the liver, and the kidneys." Another tobacco seller, when asked for a contribution to a fund for use in counteracting the efforts of the anti-tobacco movement, promptly refused, adding, "The people have a right to know the evil effects of tobacco using."

Says the executive secretary of the Anti-Cigarette Alliance of America: "The result of cigarette smoking is bound to be felt in all lines. It is a brain cell degenerator, and when you think that through you can see what must inevitably happen to the user."

The reason for this is, that cigarette smoke in addition to nicotine, contains an ingredient known as tartronic acid, which seems to act upon the brain cells and nerve tissues, bringing about a degeneracy of those structures. Every means is used to induce smoking that the coffers of the manufacturers are well filled.

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Knight Rockne, director of the Notre Dame university, told a member of the advisory council of the boys and girls Anti-Cigarette League that the makers of a well-known cigarette offered him \$2,000 to sign a testimonial to the effect that his athletes always used their brand because it did not hurt their wind.

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It is estimated that 1,200 American boys and no doubt Canadian boys too, begin this habit every day. The judge of the Juvenile court of Montreal says, "I have dealt with over 3,000 boys. I regret to say that at least 95% of these boys smoked cigarettes."

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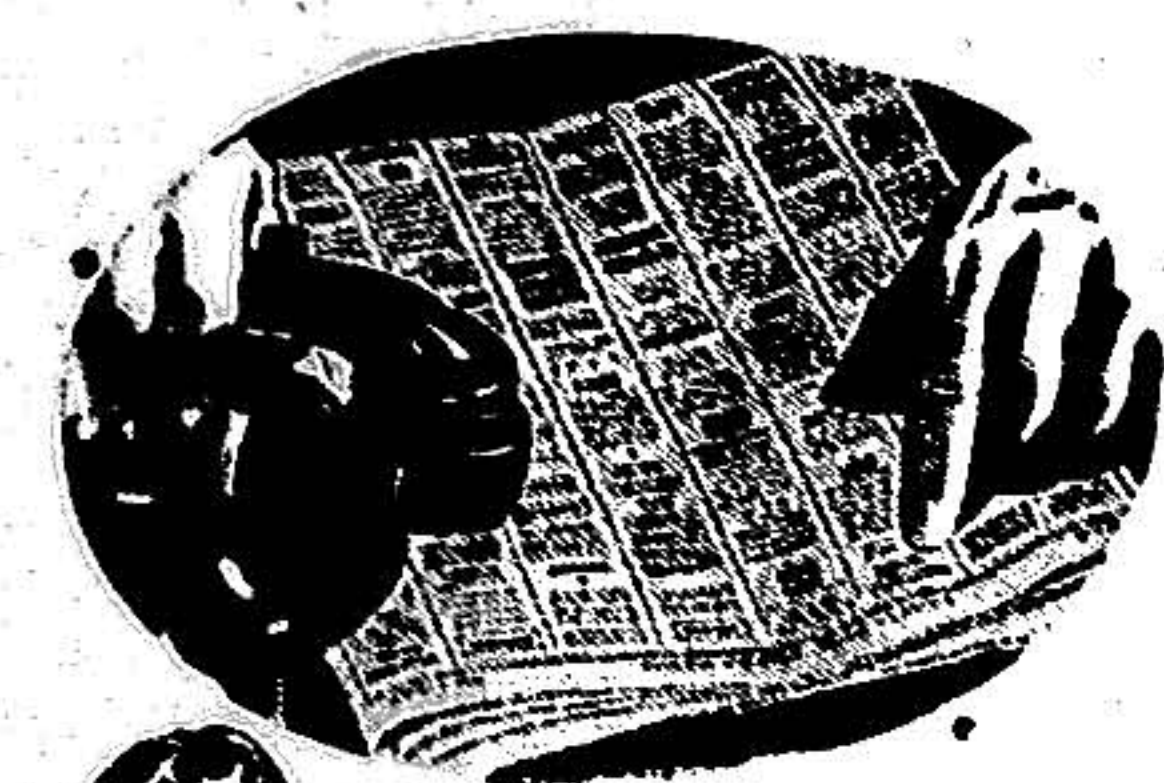
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## Maple Hill

Cold stormy Sundays still continue, which make it so hard for people to get to the church services from distant points, but, cheer up, spring is coming. The pastor gave an excellent message on the resurrection of the body last Sunday.

Prayer meeting as usual will be held on Friday night at Mr. Fred Knight's home.

Miss Blanche Scott is giving a party Saturday evening for the young men and young ladies' classes.

Mrs. Plummer is ill again. A speedy recovery is hoped for.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Love, Weston, spent the weekend at David Love's home.

Miss Blanche Graham is helping Mrs. G. Micka, near Hope church. She will be missed from the Sunday school.

A shower was held last Thursday evening at the home of Mr. Irvine Rose, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blizard. Fred has spent most of his life in this neighborhood and is highly respected by all. A goodly number were present to congratulate them and present them with many beautiful and useful gifts.

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After several weeks lay-off, the final game in the Sutton mercantile league playoff was played on Monday night, between Zephyr and Jackson's Point. The fans, who were unable to get there, missed a good, clean game.

After 13 minutes of rather dull hockey, with both teams hanging back waiting for the breaks, Fred McCrudden scored to put Zephyr one goal up and in the driver's seat. The game lived up after that.

After 17 minutes of fast play in the second period, G. McCrudden scored to put Zephyr two goals up.

In the third period, after two minutes of play, G. McCrudden scored again for Zephyr. Jackson's Point threw it wide open then and finally scored half-way through the period. Two minutes later, Austin Cain scored on a long floater from centre ice to make the score 4-1.

The Point boys really turned it on then and rapped in two more goals that Ken Pickering didn't have a chance to save.

After 18 minutes, Red Myers scored on a nice passing play. With two minutes left in the game, Jackson's Point took their goalie out and put on six forwards. On the face-off their play went hay-wire and Chess Lunney made a fast break-away and put the puck over the line with one minute to go. That ended the scoring with the final count, Zephyr 6, Jackson's Point 3. There were no penalties during the game, a credit to both teams.

Owing to sickness, both teams were minus players, which really handicapped them. The lines had to be re-arranged and this slowed them up to a certain extent, but it was a rousing finish for two good teams. The Point boys were good losers and Zephyr had to be good to win, having gone through the schedule and playoffs without a defeat.

After the game the trophy, a handsome silver cup, was presented to the Zephyr team. This cup is to be competed for annually until one team wins it three times in succession, when the trophy will then be theirs.

This cup is a fitting tribute to the series and the winners, a good little team of 14 unselfish boys, each one as good as the other.

Ivan Clark and Gordon Rynard were absent on account of sickness. The players from Zephyr were: Ken Pickering, Red Myers; Norm Myers, Austin Cain, Chess Lunney, Stan Lunney, Carl Myers, D. Myers, Floyd Clark, Fred McCrudden, Harry Longhurst; coach, Max Urquhart; referee, Milroy.

Mrs. Cecil Wasson and her nephew, Hugh Arnold of Peterboro, spent Sunday with relatives in Zephyr.

Misses Phoebe and Eileen Kester spent Sunday at their home here.

The hockey boys will hold a dance in the community hall on Wednesday, March 22. Everyone is asked to come and enjoy an evening with good music.

Prayer meeting this week will be held at the home of Mrs. H. Squires.

Mr. J. J. Myers, second concession, bought his sister's house, on Saturday, north of Zephyr. He is selling his farm stock and it is expected that they will move to Zephyr. The community will welcome them to their new home.

Some of the hockey fans attended the double-header in Toronto last Saturday.

The stork arrived in Zephyr last Thursday and left a son at Mr. and Mrs. Morrison's home. Congratulations are extended.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore and family moved back to Zephyr on Monday from Mount Albert.

Miss Mabel McDougal spent Sunday with Mrs. R. Harman.

## SANDFORD

BLOCKED ROADS DON'T  
DETER CHURCHGOERS

Sunday, March 12, was another stormy day, which blocked the north and south roads with snow, but it did not prevent a goodly number from attending the United church. Some of the congregation came in cutters, others walked through the deep snow, but cars were limited to one road. It was a day to test a man's religion and some measured up well.

Of course, a few are sick with the "flu" and could not be there. They are wished a speedy recovery.

"Following Christ" was the topic of the sermon, which implied taking up the "daily cross." Some Christians are so set through life without having their cross, but it is not the Christ way. It is following in His way that we find grace and strength and enter into the more abundant life. It is the only way of life, strait and narrow though it be. Mr. Murray quoted the words of Sir William Mure, about three years ago, when he referred to the Greek games, "It was those who came in with the torch lighted that won the race."

For only he who bears the cross may hope to win the glorious crown.

**Virginia**

Mr. Wm. Phillips and Mrs. G. Horner of Toronto were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lyons.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Arksey and family moved last week to their farm near Belhaven. Mr. and Mrs. Mahlin Matt renting Mr. Arksey's farm here.

## MORE BIRDS

By GOLDEN GLOW  
Every day, in spite of the snow, sees more and more of our feathered friends returning from the south, and the air is full of bird notes. It does seem queer how silent they are, usually, during the winter months. I never could account for it. The sparrows chirp and twitter a bit, and occasionally a starling sings a little song, deceiving us into thinking it is some other bird, and raising high hopes. No wonder we all get so mad at the starlings, they do play tricks on us!

## Ravenshoe

Friday, March 10.—T. Bell has his truck in shape for business now. He has taken Wm. Pollock's trucking business over.

Friends are sorry that Mrs. W. Crowder is still on the sick list and wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. M. Coomber, Baldwin, is clerk at the Crowder store these days.

A number of farmers had a wood bee last Saturday and assisted W. Pickering to haul his logs home ready for the buzz-saw.

Mr. James Foster has moved to his farm on the third.

Mr. and Mrs. Vanstone and daughters, of Agincourt, have moved into their new home, vacated by Mr. Foster.

A number attended the Joe Watson's sale last Tuesday.

Mr. Fred Mahoney is slowly improving. The children are also on the sick list.

Mrs. Wm. McClure is now able to be around after her long illness.

The snow plough passed along, piling the snow over the fences, but leaving behind a splendid road.

The new system is a great improvement and a much faster way of removing the deep drifts clear of the main road.

The flu has visited nearly all the homes around here lately, but all are on the mend.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Blizard visited Mr. A. Rogers, Queensville on Sunday.

## Hope

Tuesday, March 7.—Mr. and Mrs. W. Micks, Mr. Elwin and Miss Violet, visited Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Micks on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Boyd visited Mr. J. Linskill on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Lepard, Margaret and David of Newmarket, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pegg.

Mrs. Nelson has returned to her home in Newmarket.

The Women's Association meeting, held in the church here on Thursday last, was well attended.

Mrs. A. Gibson visited Mr. and Mrs. Elias Gibson on Tuesday.

Tuesday, March 13.—Mrs. Cecil Taylor of Downsview has been spending a few days visiting relatives in this neighborhood this week.

Miss Amy Gibson visited Mrs. Elias Gibson on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Ganton visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cole, Queensville, on Sunday.

There was a small attendance at church on Sunday. Services will be at the usual time next Sunday, Sunday-school at 2 p.m. and church service at 3 p.m.

Miss Phyllis Pegg of Newmarket spent the weekend at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Pegg and family visited Mr. and Mrs. W. Fountain at Sharon on Sunday.

The community sends congratulations to Miss Rose Sweezie and Mr. Harcourt Smith, who are to be married on March 25.

## Cedar Spring

Little Miss Audrey Hamilton spent Saturday afternoon with little Miss Ada Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Ley motored to Newmarket on Saturday. Master Milford Ley spent Saturday afternoon with the "Brown twins," Kenneth and Keith, who celebrated their fifth birthday on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Travis have two grandchildren visiting at their home.

Mr. Joel Hopkins and Miss Jennie Brown visited at Miss Brown's home Wednesday evening.

QUEENSVILLE  
DEMOCRACY WANTED?  
LORNA PEARSON ASKS

There was a good attendance at church last Sunday morning when Rev. Mr. Warren of Aurora, formerly of Markdale, delivered a very inspiring sermon. The choir rendered the anthem, "Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep."

## Easter Cantata

The Queensville United church choir are busy rehearsing their Easter cantata, "The Promise of Easter," which they will sing on Easter Sunday. Music lovers will welcome this service of song.

Y.P.U. Hear Talk on Democracy  
Despite the inclement weather last Sunday evening, a good attendance was present at Y.P.U. The program was in the charge of the citizenship department and proved both interesting and very educational. Miss Lorna Pearson was the speaker and took for her subject, "Do we want democracy in Canada?" Those who missed this fine talk certainly missed an interesting talk on the present world conditions.

Sacred Drama  
The local Y.P.U. are busy practicing for the sacred drama festival which will be held on April 17, 18, and 19. Newmarket and King City dramas will be presented in Newmarket United church on Monday, April 17. Wesley and Mount Pisgah dramas will be presented in Vanderford community hall on Tuesday, April 18. Queensville, Ravenshoe and Sutton West dramas will be in Belhaven community hall on Wednesday, April 19.

Persons  
Mr. Thos. Miller returned home last week after holidaying a month or so in Bermuda.

Miss Ellen Milne is visiting in New York.

Mrs. Wm. Shepherd has returned to her home here after spending the winter with her daughters.

Mrs. Clifton Morton is home from the hospital and is slowly improving.

Mr. Wm. Mackie is at present in York County hospital. It is hoped that he will soon be able to come home.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stickwood of Madoc spent last weekend at their homes here. Miss Ruth Stickwood returned to Madoc with them for a visit.

Mrs. T. Hodgson had the misfortune to fall on the ice last week and hurt herself quite badly. She is getting along quite nicely.

The new proprietor of the garage took over his duties last week and now "Aylward's Garage" is known as "Art's Garage." The garage is under the management of A. A. Alexander, and his assistant, Sydney Moore.

Mrs. Pearson, who has been quite ill, is steadily improving. The "flu" is still making its rounds but it is hoped it will soon call off its visits.

Miss Margaret Shannon of Laurel spent last weekend with her parents here at "the manse."

Several Queensville people attended the Toronto skating club carnival in Maple Leaf Gardens last week.

Several from here also attended the Lake Shore-Goodyear hockey game in Toronto on Saturday.

Mrs. Roosevelt finds it difficult to avoid being recognized, but there are exceptions. She told the following story at a White House function:

Recently in a New York store she gave her name and address to a clerk: "Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, White House, Washington, D.C."

The clerk looked up into her face with the question: "Any room address?"

6, totalling \$124.27, was accepted. The following general accounts were passed for payment: D. J. Davidson, relief supplies, \$30.48; James Keir, relief, wood, \$9.75; C. F. Anderson, relief, wood and milk, \$4.74; E. G. Corner, relief, wood, \$1.75; Harold Hart, relief, wood, \$3; D. Fivnick, relief supplies, \$10.51, \$19.57, \$10.19; L. Prosser, relief, wood, \$2; W. C. Evans, relief supplies, \$1.57, \$6.81; C. K. Johnston, relief supplies, \$8, \$2; R. H. Corner, relief supplies, \$6; Village of Sutton, relief, \$20.78; J. N. Umphrey, relief supplies, \$12.88, \$17.48; C. W. Bodley, relief supplies, \$2, \$8.40, \$6, \$2; County of York, hospitalization, \$24.50; A. Shadwick, mileage, \$37.15; A. Shadwick, salary, \$20; cash relief, \$40.

By-laws authorizing the reeve and treasurer to borrow monies from the Bank of Nova Scotia and the Canadian Bank of Commerce to meet the current expenses were passed.

Tenders for road superintendent were then opened, and Claude Willis, having consented to continue as road superintendent at \$3.60 a day, it was moved by Councillor Sibbald and seconded by Councillor Tomlinson that he be retained as road superintendent at the rate of \$3.60 per day.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Cronsberry and seconded by Councillor Laviolette that Arthur Weatherall be appointed road superintendent at the rate of \$3.60 per day. The amendment was defeated, and the original motion carried.

The council then adjourned to meet again at Pefferlaw on Monday, April 3, at 1:30 p.m.

Wm. Parkin was appointed fence-viewer, instead of George A. Corner, who did not care to act.

Willard Arnold was appointed to the board of assessors in lieu of Ed. Cronsberry, who refused to act.

The collector's time for returning the roll was extended until the next regular meeting of the council.

Road voucher No. 3 of March

**G. WILLIS CONTINUES AS  
GEORGINA ROADS HEAD**  
The Georgina township council met at Pefferlaw on Monday, March 6, with all members present.

Mr. Billy Stephens is working for Mr. Elmer Hamilton.

Mr. Theodore Wright has secured a position at Lake Wapiti and expects to leave here the first of May.

Mr. Norman Ley celebrated his birthday recently.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown spent a very pleasant evening recently at the home of Mr. Percy Brown.

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## MOUNT ALBERT AUTHORESS ADVOCATES ADULT STUDY GROUPS

The senior Women's Institute held their annual gentlemen's evening in the Sunday-school room of the United church on Wednesday evening of last week. It took the form of a banquet. A very lovely supper was partaken of and Miss Ethel Chapman of Toronto, authoress, and one of the editorial staff of "The Farmer," gave one of her most splendid addresses on adult education. She strongly advocated study groups to make people better informed on topics of the day, and the many things they should know.

"Education goes on as long as one lives," she said, "and how much better it would be if we only found out facts and did not depend on hearsay so much."

Those who heard her will long remember her talk and it is hoped that she will come back again. Mrs. Couper and Mrs. Lyons rendered several beautiful solos and Verla Mortson gave a nice little monologue. The evening was enjoyed by all and one had something nice to take home and think about.

Mrs. Robt. Wilson is spending a week in Sutton with her sister, Mrs. Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. McGuire and daughter, Anne Louise, of Kirkland Lake, spent a couple of days last week with her mother, Mrs. Crowe, then going on for a holiday in Florida, leaving Anne Louise with her grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Broad (nee Mildred Franklin) were at the home of Mrs. Broad's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin, on Sunday. They expect to leave for the States shortly, where Mr. Broad has secured a position.

Mr. Will Moore who has been living in part of Mrs. Rear's house, for the past year, moved his family to Zephyr on Monday.

Miss Theodora Harrison of Kapuskasing is here on a visit to her mother, Mrs. William Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Jarvis brought their baby home on Sunday from the Sick Children's hospital, where they had taken it a week ago, with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Draper, Mr. and Mrs. Richards of Richmond Hill and Mr. Jack Crozier of Brantford were weekend visitors at the home of Mr. W. R. Steeper.

Owing to another stormy Sunday evening, the church attendance was very small and the minister turned it into a Bible class and song service.

Mrs. Eva Harrison and Mr. I. Pegg were quietly married at the paragon one evening last week and have gone to live on his farm in Scott township.

Mr. J. B. Terry of Hamilton was at the home of his sister, Mrs. Davidson over the weekend. Mr. Alf. Broad has moved to his father's farm on the town line.

Readers are asked to remember the Irish party in the town hall on Friday evening, March 17, when Billy Hole and his orchestra will provide music for new and old time dancing, and over \$30 worth of prizes will be given away for fancy costumes, dances, etc.

The following are appearing in a sparkling comedy "Sis Perkins," on Friday, March 24, at the Mount Albert community hall: Mrs. Horace Pearson, Hugh Price, Doris Draper, Harold Cunningham, Mildred Graham, Doris Driver, John Oliver, Jack Pearson, Valma Thompson and Ruby Case.

## Sharon

The Sharon Women's Institute are holding a euchre party, at Sharon hall, on Tuesday, Mar. 21. The lunch will be looked after by the committee, instead of each member providing, as was previously planned. The funds will be used to build an extension to the hall. Everybody will be welcome.

Era printing costs little.

## THREE THOUSAND FEET UP

By BARTON WALLACE

Platt Warner leaned against the wall of the hangar and wiped grease from his hands with a piece of cloth. Overhead he could hear the steady drone of an airplane engine.

When a slight change came in the steady drone far overhead, Platt looked up. The ship had levelled off and was swinging in a wide circle. A long-drawn "Ah!" came from the crowd as a tiny figure moved farther out on the wing. Ever Platt, although he had seen the same stunt a hundred times, felt a tightening of his throat muscles, and an empty hollow ache across his chest. These people were seeing only a parachute jump, but Platt had to watch the person who meant most to him risk his life there in the sky.

"Here he comes!" a voice cried. The tiny figure, a black speck against the blue, had dropped from the wing of an airplane. Down—down—down, it came until Platt felt that his own pounding heart would burst from his chest in excitement. At last, a bit of white appeared. Almost at once the parachute billowed out, floated gracefully, and the mad descent was stopped.

The airplane made a smooth three-point landing, and Platt ran out to it. Boyd Adams, the pilot, pushed up his goggles and grinned. "How did it look from here?" he asked.

"All right," Platt said slowly. He glanced up to the sky where the parachute was floating overhead. "I wish he would wear an extra chute, though."

Boyd Adams climbed out of the ship to the ground. "You're supposed to wear an extra one for exhibitions," he agreed, "and he knows it as well as we do. But Fletcher Wells is the best jumper in the business today."

In the middle of the flying field was a white circle marked with time. Fletcher Wells had descended far enough now that Platt could see his arms reaching up overhead to the shrouds, pulling on the lines to tilt the big 'chute and direct its downward course. Platt and the pilot ran out to the circle. They stood at the edge and waited. From above came Fletcher Wells' voice.

"Hello, boys, how's the weather down there?"

Platt smiled. You could not be angry with Fletcher Wells, not even when he took too many risks. He had something boyish about him despite his nearly forty years. The parachute dropped lower. The man over their heads gave a final pull on the shrouds and his feet touched the ground almost exactly in the centre of the circle.

While a deafening roar of applause went up from the crowd, Platt and Boyd were already at work spilling the air from the parachute before a sudden gust of wind could draw it across the ground. Platt felt the smooth, strong silk under his hands and gave an involuntary shiver. He could not explain his fear and dislike of the parachute.

Fletcher Wells slipped out of the harness and was bowing to the applauding crowd. He winked at Platt.

"Guess the old boy can still hit the bull's-eye, can't he?"

"Right in the centre," replied Platt. He and Boyd gathered up the parachute and carried it into the hangar where it was to be kept until Fletcher Wells had a chance to inspect it and fold it. No one else was allowed to fold the chutes. "I'm taking no chances on anyone putting it in the pack backwards," the older man always said.

Platt leaned against the wing of a big tri-motored cabin plane in one corner of the hangar. Boyd Adams was starting away when Fletcher Wells came rushing into the building waving a slip of yellow paper. "Listen to this," he cried. "It just came. Anderson, the promoter, will be at Burtonville to see your jump on Saturday. If he likes it he will book you for the big exhibitions. Signed, Leasin'."

"What does it mean?" demanded Boyd.

"It means that I can make enough money to stop this stuff and work on my new safety chute," Fletcher Wells exclaimed. "It means no more jumps in little towns where there aren't decent fields to land."

"Then we could get away from this sort of life," Platt added. Fletcher Wells looked at the boy. "If I perfect my new chute I guess

even you wouldn't be afraid to jump with it, would you?"

"I don't know," Platt answered slowly. "I don't seem to be very brave."

Fletcher Wells threw his arm over the boy's shoulders. "Forget it," he said. "You're the best grease monkey I ever had, and if you don't want to jump, that's your affair."

Platt thrust his hands deep into the pockets of the coveralls. He owed Fletcher Wells a debt that he never could pay. He had been a half-starved, homeless orphan when the parachute-jumper had befriended him. Fletcher Wells had been a father to him, nursing him through sickness, teaching him to be a mechanic. Fletcher Wells had wanted to make a parachute jumper of him, but he had always been afraid. He was not even a real mechanic, just a grease monkey.

Saturday morning found the little group in Burtonville. The exhibition was to start at two o'clock in the afternoon with speed races, then formation flying would follow, and a parachute jump by Fletcher Wells would conclude the program.

Platt was giving the ship a final inspection when he heard someone shout. He looked up to see Boyd Adams running across the field.

"It's a long-distance call for the boss," explained the pilot. "Where is he?"

"In the hangar folding his chute," replied Platt.

Fletcher Wells hurried across to the office. When he came out a serious look was on his face as he walked slowly over to the place where Platt and Boyd waited.

"Is the plane all set?" asked Mr. Wells. Platt nodded. "I just finished going over her."

"I have to go to Pittsburgh right away."

"It's about my patent. When I took it out it was contested, and I had six months to answer. I thought my attorney was taking care of it, but he has been sick. If I don't get my papers and make the necessary adjustments so they can be filed today, I'm likely to lose the whole thing. My new chute depends on it."

"What about your jump this afternoon?" asked Platt.

Fletcher Wells glanced at the watch on his wrist. "The trip takes two hours each way and it will require an hour or so to do the work. I should be back here by four. If I don't make it, stall them off for a while."

"But," protested Boyd, "this is the day Anderson will be here to see you jump."

"I know it," Fletcher Wells said, "and I wouldn't go if it weren't absolutely necessary. We'll get back in time."

Boyd slipped into his flying suit and Fletcher Wells pulled on a leather coat and goggles. Platt stepped back as the propeller whirled. He saw a hand wave as the ship picked up speed and taxied across the field.

The morning passed slowly; but when the races started, Platt, with his eyes alternating between the distant horizon and his watch, felt that he had never seen time go so rapidly. The minutes ticked by, closer and closer to four o'clock, and still no sign of Boyd Adams and Fletcher Wells could be seen.

The races were ended, airplanes were forming in the overhead sky, and an assistant was marking the circle in the centre of the field. A man came out of the office.

"Platt Warner wanted on the telephone."

Cold fingers of fear clutched at the boy's heart. Had Boyd and Fletcher cracked up somewhere? Platt ran into the office and picked up the telephone receiver. In the silence that followed his "hello," he heard his heart thumping dully. The unmistakable voice of Fletcher Wells came over the wire.

"Listen, Platt, we won't be able to get there. You'll have to tell the manager that I can't make it."

"What's the matter? The engine didn't knock on you, did it?" asked Platt.

"No. I'm out in the country. There's a mail plane forced down here. The pilot is a friend of mine and I've got to help him out. If he waits for a regular mechanic he won't get his mail through."

Platt stared at the ticket window. Fletcher Wells was giving up the chance he had always wanted. "What'll I tell Anderson?" demanded Platt.

"Tell him I'm sorry, but this fellow is a friend of mine."

A friend of mine! That was the meaning of friendship to Fletcher Wells. Platt walked from the office and across to the hangar.

He began running under the high arched roof of the hangar. In the corner was Fletcher Wells' parachute folded in the pack. It was lying on the table where the jumper had tossed it when he went to answer the call from Pittsburgh. Over the chair was a flying suit with "Fletcher Wells" printed on the back. Platt put it on over his coveralls and then pulled on the parachute harness. He snapped the three buckles, one over each thigh, and the other at his waist. He slid the lift straps over his shoulders as he had seen Fletcher Wells do.

From a locker Platt took a helmet, goggles, and a pair of rubber-soled shoes. He knew that these were necessary to avoid scratching the enamel on the wing of the airplane. He was slipping them on when he saw another parachute pack on the locker floor. He drew it out. It was the 22-foot emergency parachute that was supposed to be worn for all exhibition jumps. Platt fastened it to the harness. The pack was over his stomach with the ring on the top.

Walking awkwardly, he made his way to the door of the hangar. The propeller of but one airplane was turning over, the pilot was still in the cockpit. It was a single-seater, but that did not matter. With the parachute pack on his back he would not fit in the cockpit anyway.

He pushed the goggles down over his eyes. "My ship hasn't come back yet," said Platt gruffly. "Will you take me up?"

The pilot looked around. "What do you want—?" he began; then he smiled. "Fletcher Wells! I'll be honored."

Platt scrambled up onto the wing of the airplane, close to the cockpit. He took a firm grasp of the struts with both hands. The pilot, he saw, was wearing a service parachute, the kind you sat on. Platt smiled. "Now if I just had one of those too," he thought, "I'd be all set."

"When do you want to ball out?" asked the pilot.

"Three thousand feet," replied Platt. "Swing back and forth across the field."

The propeller roared and a gust of wind struck Platt, effectively stopping any further attempt at conversation. They rolled across the field, turned and came down the paved runway, picking up speed. The tail lifted and Platt saw the ground drop away beneath him.

"All right?" he heard the pilot shout.

Platt nodded. He looked down on empty space. Ahead of him he could see a pin point of white, the circle. He could not jump. His whole spirit rebelled; but he had to help a friend! His hands loosened on the struts. He turned and dove into space. He saw the airplane give a lurch upward as his weight left it and then he was falling. He was spinning in the air, over and over. He could see nothing but grayness. He wondered frantically if he would lose consciousness before he could pull the cord.

The groping fingers of his right hand found the ring over his heart. He pulled across his chest from left to right as he had been taught by Fletcher Wells. Nothing happened. He was still falling, spinning in all that grayness. His mind raced frantically. Perhaps he had not pulled hard enough. He tried again tugging with all his strength.

He felt and felt; then he remembered the little emergency parachute over his stomach. His fingers found the ring. He pulled out. Something white rose past his face, lines untangled before him. He looked down and was astonished to see the ground so near.

He must have fallen a long distance before the small parachute opened. He was still descending rapidly; more rapidly than he could remember ever having seen Fletcher Wells come down. What was wrong now? He stared up at the parachute. It was spread to its limit. No split was in the silk. That was all right, but it did not seem very big. He remembered then that the emergency parachute was only 22 feet. It let you down fast.

He looked at the ground rushing up to meet him. Suppose he broke an ankle. Well, he would have to chance that. To his right he could see the circle. He tried to pull on the shrouds to direct his course, but could not see that he was making headway. A little gust of wind made him swing like a pendulum. Suddenly, he realized that he was going to hit the ground. He tried to relax to break the fall. His feet struck something solid and his knees buckled. He attempted to keep his balance, but the parachute was pulling him. His arm tangled in the shrouds and he was jerked across rough ground. His shoulder, dragged through something white, it was the lime circle. He gave a desperate tug, shoved his toes into the ground and hung on. His head hit with a thump, and everything turned black.

The first thing that Platt Warner became conscious of was that his head ached fiercely. The second was that Fletcher Wells and Boyd Adams were sitting beside his bed.

Fletcher Wells, with misty eyes, said: "Attahoy! You're coming out of it. How do you feel?"

"A little shaky," replied Platt.

"What happened?"

"What happened?" exclaimed Boyd Adams. "We came bolting in to find that they have you in the emergency hospital."

Fletcher Wells nodded. "You got knocked out when your head hit. Somebody rushed out to congratulate you and there you were unconscious right in the middle of the circle. What did you ever do it for, boy?"

Platt did not answer the question. "Did Anderson say anything?"

"Did he?" replied Fletcher Wells. "He said he beat anything he ever saw. He said if my assistant could do jump like that, there was no telling what I could do and he was booking us right then."

"Maybe it's a good thing I didn't know how to open the big chute," Platt smiled. "It wouldn't have been so spectacular."

Fletcher Wells' face grew serious. "You saved my life. I looked that chute over and the pin jammed. It must have bent when I tossed it down on the table."

Platt sat up. "When you get that safety chute of yours finished," he said, "there won't be any chance of something like that happening, will there?"

"No, sir," replied the man, "and every time it saves a life you'll have the satisfaction of knowing that you helped make it possible."

"Maybe," Platt said slowly, "a grease-monkey is some good after all."

## Schemer

Billy (who has eaten his apple)—"Let's play Adam and Eve."

Small Sister—"How do you play that, Billy?"

Billy—"Well, you tempt me to eat your apple and I'll give in."

## She's Made Wise

She—Funny no one seemed to realize what a bad egg he was while he was rich.

He—My dear, a bad egg is only known when it's broke.

The Era office will be open on Saturdays from 2 to 5 p.m., but not on Saturday evenings.

## GRANDSON OF TEMPLE'S BUILDER, ABSALOM WILLSON DIES AT 89

Absalom Willson, oldest resident of Sharon, and grandson of David Willson, founder of the Children of Peace and also builder of the Sharon temple, died at his home in his 90th year on Saturday, March 11.

The late Mr. Willson was born in Sharon, where he has lived continuously until his death. He became connected with the Masonic Order in 1871 and took an active part, having been master several years.

A private funeral service was held at his late residence, and a Masonic service at Queensville cemetery on Monday, March 13. The Masonic service was largely attended by Grand Lodge officers and officers and members of Sharon lodge.

The following were the pallbearers: Rt. Wor. C. H. Lord, P.D.D.G.M.; Rt. Wor. W. J. Moore, P.D.D.G.M.; Rt. Wor. J. A. Troyer, P.D.D.G.M.; Rt. Wor. Wm. Smith, P.D.D.G.M.; Rt. Wor. B. S. Sheldon, P.D.D.G.M.; and Rt. Wor. J. A. Hearn, P.G.J.W. The above were all of Toronto.

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## POTTAGEVILLE LADY WILL BE NINETY ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Sunday-school was held in the United church on Sunday as usual, superintended by A. Archibald. Rev. W. J. Burton taught the Bible class.

The roll call was called by W. Reid. The superintendent announced that next Sunday questions on the book of Matthew will be asked after Sunday-school to the ones who read their chapter every day. A special prize is being given to the one with the most questions right.

Mr. Burton conducted the worship service, his sermon being, "The Cross of Christ," which was very much appreciated.

James Weldon rendered a solo, "The Christ of the Cross." The choir sang an anthem entitled "Christ Returneth."

The B. Y. P. U. met on Monday night of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hamilton. Miss Helen Platt read the scripture, taken from John 15: 1-15. The topic was given by Miss M. Wilson.

Readings were given by Mrs. H. Hamilton and Mrs. Pearl Elmer. Miss S. Groombridge read the minutes. Several hymns were sung.

The euchre club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Proctor last Friday evening. The prizes went to: first, Mrs. Tom Proctor and Frank Parr; second, Miss V. Allen and John Wilson.

Three St. Patrick's Day birthdays are celebrated this week. Mrs. White celebrates her 90th birthday on Friday, March 17th, and Mr. Wesley Reid and little Patricia Houghton also celebrate birthdays then.

The "Twenty-Fourth" club met one evening last week at the home of Mrs. A. Archibald. The meeting opened with a hymn. "When the Roll is called up Yonder," followed by prayer. The secretary, Wesley Reid, read the minutes. The topic was given by James Weldon on "The Master's Challenge to Youth." The meeting closed with the benediction.

Choir practice for the choir of the United church is held every two weeks on Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. A. Archibald, the choir leader. The next practice will be on March 26 at 8 p.m.

The wood-bee is very popular around here at present.

The Y. P. U. of the United church met last week, but were unable to hold their meeting owing to so much sickness, making so many absent. The few that were there spent the evening making mottoes.

Mr. Wm. Butler spent a few days in Toronto last week.

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The friends of Mr. Rennie of Toronto will be sorry to hear of his passing this week, as Mr. Rennie was a former resident here.

The Y. P. U. and friends of Leland Patton are glad to see he is feeling much better and is able to be at church again after his recent illness.

## TO THE EDITOR

Canada Temperance Act  
Editor, The Era: In view of the announcement in the speech from the throne of the intention of the Ontario government, the Ontario Temperance Federation has issued the following statement:

About the year 1914 the areas above mentioned, having extended the application of municipal local option as far as was practicable under the three-fifths handicap, sought to protect themselves by adopting by substantial majorities a county local option as provided under the Canada Temperance Act.

It has been the practice of all Ontario governments from 1887 down to 1934 to enforce the Canada Temperance Act where it obtained for offences of selling and the provincial Liquor Act for other liquor offences committed within the area concerned. Under this procedure, the Canada Temperance Act was found to be a workable and reasonably satisfactory and effective county local option law. The present Ontario government has departed from the practice of its predecessors. It has ignored and violated the law. It has sought to destroy its operation by action

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